

ANNUAL REPORT

for the

TOWN of HAMILTON

MASSACHUSETTS



1947



ANNUAL REPORT

for the

TOWN *of* HAMILTON

MASSACHUSETTS

1947

1947 TOWN OFFICERS

Elected and Appointed

Selectmen

LAWRENCE R. STONE, Chairman

EDWARD A. DEWITT

EVERETT F. HALEY

Board of Public Welfare

EDWARD A. DEWITT, Chairman

LAWRENCE R. STONE

EVERETT F. HALEY

Board of Health

EVERETT F. HALEY, Chairman

EDWARD A. DEWITT

LAWRENCE R. STONE

Moderator

OLIVER WOLCOTT

Town Clerk

FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE

Treasurer

WALFRED B. SELLMAN

Tax Collector

BERTHA L. CROWELL

Surveyor of Highways

LELAND D. THOMPSON

Assessors

JESSE S. MANN, Chairman

Term expires 1948

DONALD G. TRUSSELL

Term expires 1949

ROBERT H. CHITTICK

Term expires 1950

Trustees of Public Library

BEATRICE B. HOLMES, Chairman

Term expires 1948

JOHN F. NEARY

Term expires 1949

SARAH H. TRUSSELL

Term expires 1950

School Committee

ALLAN MACCURRECH, Chairman
Term expires 1950

HARRIETT F. ADAMS
Term expires 1948
RICHARD PRESTON
Term expires 1949

GRACE B. LAMSON
Term expires 1948
G. GORDON LOVE
Term expires 1949

Tree Warden

RUDOLPH H. HARADEN

Cemetery Commissioners

RAYMOND A. WHIPPLE, Chairman
Term expires 1948

JOHN T. WATKE
Term expires 1949

LAWRENCE C. FOSTER
Term expires 1950

Water Commissioners

GEORGE A. HARRIGAN, Chairman
Term expires 1949

RICHARD H. SMITH
Term expires 1948

CARL G. RICKER
Term expires 1950

Park Commissioners

RALSTON F. PICKERING, Chairman
Term expires 1948

PHILIP HOPKINS
Term expires 1949

RAY M. SANFORD
Term expires 1950

Planning Board

JOHN R. HOLLISTER, Chairman
Term expires 1951

M. KEITH LANDER
Term expires 1948
RICHARD H. SMITH
Term expires 1950

STANDISH BRADFORD
Term expires 1949
FRANCIS C. MOYNIHAN
Term expires 1952

Constables

EDWARD FREDERICK
CHARLES F. POOLE

BARKLEY W. TREE

Chief of Police

EDWARD FREDERICK

Dog Officer

FREDERICK R. JOHNSON

Moth Superintendent
RUDOLPH H. HARADEN

Park Superintendent
JAMES H. GOODRICH

Superintendent of Cemetery
ERNEST E. MACGREGOR

Superintendent of Water Works
J. EDWARD COX

Registrars of Voters
FRANK W. BUZZELL, Chairman

DAVID Q. GREELEY
Term expires 1948

JESSIE W. B. CUNNINGHAM
Term expires 1950

FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE, Clerk ex-officio

Veterans Agent and Service Director
EDWARD A. DEWITT

Sealer of Weights and Measures
ERVING O. MAXWELL

Town Accountant
FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE

Town Counsel
ROBERT B. WALSH

Fire Engineers
A. MERRILL CUMMINGS, Chief
EARL E. JOHNSON RUDOLPH H. HARADEN

Finance and Advisory Committee
THEODORE A. HOLLAND, Chairman
JOHN E. HARTNETT, JR. JOHN KING
ALBERT L. RIDER FREDERIC WINTHROP

Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering
ERNEST M. BARKER

Inspector of Milk
ERNEST M. BARKER

Forest Warden
FRED BERRY

Field Drivers

FRED BERRY
CARL C. ANDERSON

WILLIAM W. BANCROFT
ERNEST M. BARKER

Measurers of Wood, Lumber and Bark

JESSE S. MANN
ERNEST M. BARKER

TIMOTHY A. MOYNIHAN
CHARLES B. POOLE

*General George S. Patton, Jr.**Memorial Committee*

STANDISH BRADFORD
FREDERIC WINTHROP
ELMER SMITH
HAROLD A. DALEY

RALSTON F. PICKERING
RAY M. SANFORD
PHILIP C. HOPKINS
SAMUEL J. TYACK

FINLAY D. MACDONALD

REPORT
of the
TOWN CLERK
1947



Digitized by the Internet Archive
in 2014

REPORT OF THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING OF THE TOWN OF HAMILTON

HELD MARCH 3, 1947 AND OF THE ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION
HELD MARCH 11, 1947

MODERATOR: Oliver Wolcott

TELLERS:

Frank C. Back
Julia G. Burns
Lester D. Charles
Mildred M. Haraden
Henry C. Jackson
Lawrence Lamson

George Morrow
Edward J. Ready
Thomas A. Sargent
George H. Sprague
Lester F. Stanley
Frank H. Tuck

POLICE

Edward Frederick
Barkley W. Tree

TOWN CLERK: Francis H. Whipple

The Moderator, Mr. Oliver Wolcott, opened the meeting at seven-thirty o'clock in the evening (7:30 p. m.) on Monday, March 3, 1947.

Rev. Charles Francis Hood lead the meeting in prayer.

Moderator: "The first business of the evening is Article II:

Article II. "To choose and appoint all other Town Officers in such manner as the Town shall determine."

Moved by Mr. Edward A. DeWitt and duly seconded: "That four field drivers and four measurers of wood, lumber, and bark be elected by the meeting from the floor, and that the field drivers be nominated and elected first and the measurers of wood, lumber, and bark immediately following."

Voice vote on motion. Motion unanimously carried.

Moved by Mr. Dewitt and duly seconded: "That Fred Berry, William W. Bancroft, Carl C. Anderson, and Ernest M. Barker be elected field drivers for the ensuing year."

Voice Vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Moved by Mr. DeWitt and duly seconded: "That Jesse S. Mann, Timothy A. Moynihan, Ernest M. Barker, and Charles B. Poole be elected measurers of wood, lumber, and bark for the ensuing year."

Voice Vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article III. Moderator: "Article 3—To hear the report of the Town Officers and of the Finance and Advisory Committee and all other committees and take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. Robert B. Walsh and duly seconded: "That the re-

ports of the town officers, finance and advisory committee and all department reports as printed in the Annual Town Report be received and placed on file."

Voice Vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article IV. Moderator: "Article 4—To raise and appropriate money for Schools, Highways and all other town expenses and determine the manner of expending same."

"As in past years I shall read the appropriations recommended by the Finance Committee and if debate is wished on any item, call 'Pass' and that item will be considered after the others are voted as a whole."

Finance and Advisory Committee—Expenses	\$ 15.00
Selectmen, Salaries	1,150.00
Chairman	\$460
Other Members	345 each....
Expenses	1,450.00
Accountant, Salary	1,700.00
Expenses	135.00
Treasurer, Salary	1,080.00
Expenses	275.00
Tax Collector, Salary	1,265.00
Expenses	400.00
Assessors, Salaries	975.00
Chairman	\$425
Other Members	275 each....
Wages	1,040.00
Expenses	PASSED (1,090.00)
Law, Salary	700.00
Town Clerk, Salary	1,000.00
Expenses	325.00
Election and Registration	900.00
Town Hall, Salary	1,400.00
Expenses	1,300.00
Police, Salary of Chief	2,600.00
Wages, Constable & Special Officers	3,730.00
Expenses	910.00
Fire	3,200.00
Special, New Hose	600.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures, Salary	230.00
Expenses	100.00
Moth—Town, Salary of Superintendent	1,216.00
Wages	1,150.00
Expenses	802.00
Moth—Private Property	
Salary of Superintendent	432.00
Wages	418.00
Expenses	350.00

Tree Warden, Salary of Superintendent	768.00
Wages	864.00
Expenses	100.00
Forest Fire Warden, Salary	40.00
Expenses	40.00
Health	120.00
Salaries	
Chairman	\$60
Other Members .....	.30 each
Wages	60.00
Expenses	5,320.00
Dental Clinic, Salary of Dental Nurse	200.00
Expenses	2,000.00
Inspector of Animals, Salary	90.00
Expense	50.00
Highways	
Salary of Surveyor	2,800.00
Wages of Truck Drivers and helpers	7,944.00
Labor and Expenses	7,868.40
Snow Removal and Sanding	5,500.00
Street Lighting	7,500.00
Public Welfare, Salaries	120.00
Chairman	\$60
Other Members .....	.30 each
Wages	60.00
Expenses	5,320.00
Old Age Assistance	14,000.00
Old Age—Administration	1,000.00
Aid to Dependent Children	1,200.00
Administration Salary	25.00
Veterans' Benefits	700.00
Schools, Salaries and Expenses	PASSED (78,668.70)*
Schools, Specials	
Vocational	500.00
Cafeteria—High School	2,270.82
Cafeteria—Lamson School	3,500.00
Gym Floor Repairs—High School	95.00
Commercial Dept. Equipment, High School	455.00
Leakage Repairs	100.00
Roof—Lamson	(Additional) 575.00
Vacuum System Repairs	40.00
Tile in Gym—High	125.00
New Machinery—High	45.00
New Machinery—Lamson	72.00
Painting, Basement, Lamson	1,000.00
Libraries, Salaries	975.00
Main Library	\$600
Branch "	375
Wages	35.00
Expenses	1,645.00

Parks—Salary of Superintendent	2,250.00
Salary of Instructors	450.00
Labor and Expenses	1,645.00
Power Mower Extras	324.00
Baseball Field	1,000.00
“ Backstop	600.00
“ Field Bases, Plate and Bench	65.00
Electrical Work	275.00
Engineering	300.00
Concrete Drain, Labor and Material	200.00
Hose	293.00
Water Department—Salary of Supt.	2,600.00
Clerk—Salary	500.00
Wages and Expenses	6,655.00
Special—Gardner Street	450.00
“ —Engineering and Testing Wells	1,000.00
Cemetery—Salaries of Commissioners	75.00
Chairman and Other Members—\$25 each	
Clerk—Salary	100.00
Wages and Expenses	2,000.00
Town Reports	PASSED 767.70
Town Clock	100.00
Memorial Day	450.00
American Legion	300.00
Insurance	1,200.00
Planning Board	500.00
Reserve Fund for Emergencies	2,000.00
Interest	1,510.00
*Plus Dog Tax of \$440.27.	

Moved by Mr. Theodore A. Holland and duly seconded: “That the various appropriations considered seriatim as amended be approved and that the meeting now proceed to the consideration of the items that were passed.”

Voice Vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Moderator: “We shall now go back to the Assessors Item, which was passed.”

Moved by Harold A. Daley and duly seconded “that the Assessors expense appropriation be increased to \$1,090.00 and the Assessors publish a Valuation Book and have it delivered to the citizens of the town.”

Voice Vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Moderator: “We now come to Schools, Salaries and Expenses, as passed.”

Mrs. Nellie E. Woodman: “I move that school salaries be increased by \$1,440.00 to read \$78,668.70, plus the dog tax of \$440.27.”

Remarks by Mrs. Woodman and Mr. Theodore A. Holland, Chairman of the Finance Committee.

Rising vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Moderator: "We will now go back to Town Reports, as passed."

Moved by Harold A. Daley and duly seconded that the appropriation for the Town Reports be amended by including an approval of the present form of the Town Report.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article V. Moderator: "Article 5—To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$10,000.00 from the Excess and Deficiency Fund to Maturing Debt, or take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. Theodore A. Holland and duly seconded: "That the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) be transferred from the excess and deficiency fund to maturing debt."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article VI. Moderator: "Article 6—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account, the sum of \$3,125.00 for Chapter 90 Highway Construction, or take any action in relation thereto."

Moved by Mr. Lawrence R. Stone and duly seconded: "That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of Three Thousand One Hundred Twenty-five Dollars (\$3,125.00) for Chapter 90 Highway Construction."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article VII. Moderator: "Article 7—To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account, the sum of \$1,000.00 for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance, or take any action in relation thereto."

Moved by Mr. Lawrence R. Stone and duly seconded: "That the Town raise and appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article VIII. Moderator: "Article 8—To see if the Town will vote to make certain repairs to the grass and cannon at the Memorial Green arising from damage by an automobile on or about April 3, 1946, and that \$89.70 received by the town for damage sustained be applied to and used by the town in payment for repair of such damage, or take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. Ralston F. Pickering and duly seconded: "That the damage done to the grass and cannon at the Memorial Green on Main Street by an automobile on or about April 3, 1946, be repaired and that Eighty-nine Dollars and Seventy Cents (\$89.70) received by the Town for such damage be applied to and used by the Town in payment therefor."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article IX. Moderator: "Article 9—To see if the Town will vote to purchase or take by eminent domain, for the protection of the Hamilton

town water system, a certain strip or parcel of land situated on the northeasterly side of Bridge Street, in said Hamilton, being a portion of the now discontinued Essex Branch of the Boston and Maine Railroad, containing about 164,000 square feet, as shown substantially on a plan now on file in the office of the town clerk, raise and appropriate the sum of \$600.00 therefor, or take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. Everett F. Haley and duly seconded: "That the Town purchase from the Boston and Maine Railroad, a corporation duly organized under the laws of the Commonwealth, a certain strip or parcel of land situated in Hamilton in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, being a portion of the now discontinued Essex Branch of the Boston and Maine Railroad, the center line of which begins on the Northeasterly side of Bridge Street at about Valuation Station 70+60 on the center line of said location: thence extending Easterly and Southeasterly about three thousand, three hundred fifteen (3,315) feet to the Northwesterly side of said Bridge Street at about Valuation Station 103+75 on said center line of location, said strip of land being forty-nine and fifty hundredths (49.50) feet in width throughout, twenty-four and seventy-five hundredths (24.75) feet on each side of said center line of location, said strip of land containing about one hundred and sixty-four thousand (164,000) square feet and being shown upon a plan marked "Land in Hamilton, Mass. Boston and Maine Railroad -to- Town of Hamilton. J. P. Cronin, Engineer of Design. February, 1947," now on file in the office of the town clerk, that the sum of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00) be raised and appropriated therefor, and that the Board of Selectmen be and hereby are instructed, authorized and empowered with full powers on behalf of the Town to consummate such purchase.

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article X. Moderator: "Article 10—To see if the town will vote to purchase and acquire a new combination cruiser and ambulance for the police department, raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. Percival D. Whipple and duly seconded: "That the Town purchase and acquire a new combination cruiser and ambulance motor vehicle for the use of the police department, that the sum of One Thousand Six Hundred Dollars (\$1,600.00) be raised and appropriated therefor, and that the selectmen in conjunction with the chief of police be instructed, authorized and empowered with full powers on behalf of the Town to consummate such purchase."

Rising vote. Motion carried.

Article XI. Moderator: "Article 11—To see if the Town will vote to transfer to School Cafeteria. High, the sum of \$1,229.18 from the various unexpended balances of the sums of money raised and appropriated under Article 4 for the annual town meeting held March 7, 1946, to wit:

Special School Painting High, Interior	797.83
“ Outside Painting, High	239.50
“ Gym Steam Pipe and Wiring, High	86.85
“ Gym Roof Waste Pipe	75.00
“ Ceilings, Lamson	30.00

\$1,229.18

or take any action thereon.”

Moved by Dr. John King and duly seconded: “That the town transfer to School Cafeteria, High, the sum of One Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-nine Dollars and eighteen cents (\$1,229.18) from the various remaining unexpended balances of the sum of money raised and appropriated under Article 4 of the Annual Town Meeting held March 7, 1946, to wit:

Special School Painting High, Interior	797.83
“ Outside Painting, High	239.50
“ Gym Steam Pipe and Wiring, High	86.85
“ Gym Roof Waste Pipe	75.00
“ Ceilings, Lamson	30.00

\$1,229.18

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XII. Moderator: “Article 12—To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$300.00 from the Cemetery Sale of Lots and Graves Fund to a Special Cemetery Account to be expended by the Cemetery Commissioners for improvements of the cemetery, or take any action thereon.”

Moved by Mr. Raymond A. Whipple and duly seconded: “That the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) be transferred from the Cemetery Sale of Lots and Graves Fund to a Special Cemetery Account to be expended by the cemetery commissioners for improvements of the cemetery.”

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XIII. Moderator: “Article 13—To see if the Town will vote to build a sidewalk with a “hot-top,” or other similar surface, along the northeasterly side of Asbury Street, from Main Street to Highland Street, and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 therefor, or take any action thereon.”

Moved by Mr. Percival D. Whipple and duly seconded: “That the Town build a section of sidewalk with a “hot-top” or similar surface along the northeasterly side of Asbury Street from Highland Street toward and in the direction of Main Street and raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,500.00 therefor, and that the work be done under the supervision and direction of the surveyor of highways.”

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XIV. Moderator: "Article 14—To see if the Town will vote to construct a sidewalk on the northwesterly side of Willow Street, from Rust Street to Asbury Street, such construction to include the installation of curbing at street corners, and the sidewalk surface to be of a permanent nature, raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. Lawrence Lamson and duly seconded: "That the Town build a sidewalk on the northwesterly side of Willow Street, from Rust Street to Asbury Street, to include curbing at street corners and a sidewalk surface of a permanent nature, raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,200.00 therefor, and that the work be done under the supervision and direction of the surveyor of highways."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XV. Moderator: "Article 15—To see if the Town will vote to build, grade, drain and oil Savoy road and raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, the work to be done under the direction and supervision of the Highway surveyor, or take any action thereon."

Moved by Miss Olive P. Welch and duly seconded: "That the Town build, grade, drain and oil Savoy road, raise and appropriate the sum of \$3,410.50 therefor, and that the work be done under the supervision and direction of the surveyor of highways."

Rising vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XVI. Moderator: "Article 16—To see if the Town will vote to receive the report of the General George S. Patton, Jr., Memorial Committee printed in the annual town report, as a report of progress, to increase the membership of the committee to nine, to be appointed by the Moderator, and that they be authorized to employ and compensate architects and civil engineers to prepare plans and specifications for a field house on the playground, raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 therefor and other expenses of the committee, or take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. Standish Bradford and duly seconded: "That the report of the General George S. Patton, Jr., Memorial Committee be accepted as a report of progress, and the present committee be authorized to employ architects and civil engineers to submit plans and specifications for a memorial field house or other structure on the playground and that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 therefor."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XVII. Moderator: "Article 17—To consider the final report with recommendations of the Planning Board, including a proposed zoning by-law and map originally establishing the boundaries of zoning districts in the town and the regulations and restrictions to be enforced therein, copies of which will be filed with the Town Clerk prior to the meeting, and to see if the Town will vote to adopt the proposed zoning by-law and map recommended in such report of the Planning Board or to take any other action thereon."

Moved by Mr. John R. Hollister and duly seconded: "That the report of the Planning Board with recommendations, including a proposed zoning by-law and map originally establishing the boundaries of zoning districts in the Town of Hamilton and the regulations and restrictions to be enforced thereunder, as now on file in the office of the Town Clerk, be adopted, that the vote on such adoption be taken by a secret ballot, with the use of the official checklist, and that the moderator appoint a committee of three to distribute, collect and count ballots. This by-law shall take effect only after its approval by the attorney-general and publication in compliance with section 32 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws and amendments thereto."

Moderator: "The motion is that the vote be taken by a secret ballot with the use of the official checklist."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Moderator: "Robert Chittick, Donald Trussell, and Frank Buzzell will act as a committee of three to distribute, collect, and count ballots."

Moderator: "We shall now commence with the voting, by secret ballot with the use of the official checklist. Mr. Chittick, Trussell, and Buzzell will act as a committee of three to distribute, collect, and count ballots."

The meeting proceeded to vote by secret ballot with the following result, as announced by the Moderator:

Yes: 213

No: 265

Motion to adopt the zoning by-law was lost.

Article XVIII. Moderator: "Article 18—To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account, a sum of money for the state and county share of Chapter 90 Highway Maintenance and Construction."

Moved by Mr. Frederic Winthrop, Jr. and duly seconded: "That the sum of \$21,875.00 be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account to meet the cost of the state and county share of Chapter 90 Road Construction and Maintenance, and that the reimbursements later from the state and county on account of such work be credited to the Excess and Deficiency Account."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XIX. Moderator: "Article 19—To see if the Town will vote to make certain repairs and alterations in the Adelaide Dodge Walsh School in East Hamilton, raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor or take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. Edward A. DeWitt and duly seconded: "That the Town make certain repairs and alterations in the cellar, first floor and auditorium of the town building on School Street, East Hamilton, formerly used for school purposes under the name of Adelaide Dodge Walsh School, consisting of remodelling, painting, plumbing, heating, carpenter work, changes in and additions to the electrical equipment walls, flooring,

etc., and that the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) be raised and appropriated therefor, the work to be done under the direction and supervision of the selectmen with full powers in the premises."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XX. Moderator: "Article 20—To see if the Town will vote that the Adelaide Dodge Walsh schoolhouse building and appurtenances thereto at East Hamilton be used by the Town for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters for Augustus P. Gardner Post 194, American Legion, to be under the direction and control of such post and subject to regulations, approved by the Town, raise and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any action thereon, in compliance with Section 9, Chapter 40 of the General Laws, Terc. Ed., and Amendments thereto."

Moved by Dr. Henry F. Larchez and duly seconded: "That for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters for Post 194, American Legion, the Town approve and authorize the use of the first floor and basement of the town building on School Street, East Hamilton, formerly used for school purposes under the name of the Adelaide Dodge Walsh School, said premises to be under the control and direction of said Post, subject to the following regulations approved herewith by the town:

1. These premises shall be used as a headquarters for members of Post 194, American Legion, and its guests.
2. Each member shall upon application be entitled to a key to the headquarters.
3. There shall be a house committee consisting of five members, to be appointed annually by the commander. Such committee shall from time to time make such additional rules and regulations as may arise as to the conduct of the members, the use of the premises, the hours of opening and closing, entertainments, etc.,

the Town reserving the use at all times of the auditorium and entrance thereto for the inhabitants of Hamilton."

The auditorium could be used by the members of the Legion after the request is made to the Town of Hamilton."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XXI. Moderator: "Article 21—To see if the Town will vote to accept the lay-out as a public way by the selectmen of North Street, so-called, in accordance substantially with a plan dated November, 1946, now on file in the office of the Town Clerk, or take any action thereon, as petitioned for by Barkley W. Tree and others."

Moved by Mr. Edward A. DeWitt and duly seconded: "That the Town accept the lay-out as a public way by the selectmen of North Street, so-called, in accordance substantially with a plan dated November, 1946, now on file in the office of the Town Clerk."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XXII. Moderator: "Article 22—To see if the Town will vote to accept the lay-out as a public way by the selectmen of Lake Drive, so-called, in accordance substantially with a plan dated November, 1946, now on file in the office of the Town Clerk, or take any action thereon, as petitioned for by Theodore E. Johnson and others."

Moved by Mr. Everett F. Haley and duly seconded: "That the Town accept the lay-out as a public way by the selectmen of Lake Drive, so-called, in accordance substantially with a plan dated December, 1946, now on file in the office of the Town Clerk."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XXIII. Moderator: "Article 23—To see if the Town will vote to accept the lay-out as a public way by the selectmen of Perkins Avenue, so-called, in accordance substantially with a plan dated November, 1946, now on file in the office of the Town Clerk, or take any action thereon, as petitioned for by Guy A. Crosby and others."

Moved by Mr. Lawrence R. Stone and duly seconded: "That the Town accept the lay-out as a public way by the selectmen of Perkins Avenue, so-called, in accordance substantially with a plan dated November, 1946, now on file in the office of the Town Clerk."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XXIV. Moderator: "Article 24—To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following by-law: "No person shall drive, wheel, draw or park a bicycle upon a sidewalk of the town," or take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. Everett F. Haley and duly seconded: "That the Town adopt the following by-law: "No person shall drive, wheel, ride, draw or park a bicycle upon a sidewalk of the town."

This by-law shall take effect only after its approval by the attorney-general and publication in compliance with Section 32 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws and Amendments thereto."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XXV. Moderator: "Article 25—To see if the Town will vote that the custody, care, supervision and maintenance of the Dorothy Winthrop Memorial Lot be vested in the School Committee with all the powers and duties incident thereto, or take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. Ralston F. Pickering and duly seconded: "That this article be laid on the table for another year."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XXVI. Moderator: "Article 26—To see if the Town will vote to reduce the number of the members of the School Committee from five to three, such vote to go into effect at the Annual Town Election of the Annual Town Meeting to be held in March, 1948, or take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. Allan MacCurrach and duly seconded: "That the Town vote to diminish the number of members of the School Committee from five to three, and that such diminution be made by choosing annually such number as will within three years effect such diminution, such vote to diminish to remain in force until the diminution under it is accomplished."

Rising vote. Motion carried.

Article XXVII. Moderator: "Article 27—To see if the Town will vote to change the present voting hours for the election of town officers at the Annual Town Meeting, as now provided for in Section 1 of Chapter 1 of the Town By-Laws, from 8 A. M. to 8 P. M. by amending said by-law, or take any action thereon."

Moved by Mr. Edward A. DeWitt and duly seconded: "That the voting hours for the annual election of town officers as amended by Article 16 of the Annual Town Meeting March 12, 1935. be further amended by striking out the last sentence of Section 1 of Chapter 1 of the Town By-Laws and substituting therefor the following: "The polls for the election of said town officers shall open at 8 A. M. and shall close at 8 P. M."

"This by-law shall take effect only after its approval by the attorney-general and publication in compilance with Section 32 of Chapter 40 of the General Laws and Admendments thereto."

Mr. Harold Daley: "I oppose that motion. I don't think that we have gone far enough. I believe the polls should be open from 5:45 A. M. to 8:00 P. M. In this way no voter would be deprived of the chance to vote."

Moderator: "Would the selectmen be willing to open at 5:45 A. M.?"

Mr. Edward A. DeWitt: "We have no objections. I move that the Town By-Laws be amended by striking out the last sentence of Section 1 of Chapter 1 and substituting therefor the following: "The polls for the election of said town officers shall open at 5:45 A. M. and shall close at 8 P. M."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XXVIII. Moderator: "Article 28—To see if the Town will vote to name the property at Chebacco Lake accepted by the Town as a gift from F. H. Prince under Article 18 of the Annual Town Meeting of 1926, Robert B. Walsh Park, or take any action thereon, as petitioned for by the Park Commissioners."

Moved by Mr. Ralston F. Pickering and duly seconded: "That the Town authorize the Park Commissioners to name the property at Chebacco Lake accepted by the Town as a gift from F. H. Prince under Article 18 of the Annual Town Meeting of 1926, Robert B. Walsh Park.

In explanation of this article the Park Department as well as others in this town wish to name this park in East Hamilton after Mr. Robert

B. Walsh who we feel has given many years of public service to the Town and has been greatly interested in the political and recreational program of the Town."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XXIX. Moderator: "Article 29—To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1948 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a shorter period than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws and Amendments thereto."

Moved by Mr. Walfred B. Sellman and duly seconded: "That the Town authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1948 and to issue a note or notes as may be given for a shorter period than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws and Amendments thereto."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XXX. Moderator: "Article 30—To see if the Town will authorize the Collector to use all means of collecting taxes which as Town Treasurer, when appointed Collector, may use agreeable to Chapter 41, Section 37, General Laws and Amendments thereto."

Moved by Mrs. Bertha L. Crowell and duly seconded: "That the Town authorize the Collector to use all means of collecting taxes which as Town Treasurer, when appointed Collector, may use agreeable to Chapter 41, Section 37, General Laws and Amendments thereto."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Article XXXI. Moderator: "Article 31—To act on any other matter that may legally come before said meeting."

Mr. Everett F. Haley: "I have a resolution. Resolved that it is the sense of this meeting that the Selectmen oppose any and all further efforts of the Boston & Maine Railroad seeking to have installed electrical devices to supplant manually operated safety gates at any of the Railroad crossings in town."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

Moved by Mr. Edward A. DeWitt and duly seconded: "That the meeting adjourn until March 11, 1947 at 5:45 A. M. to vote on Article 1."

Voice vote. Motion unanimously carried.

The Moderator declared the meeting adjourned at 10:45 P. M.

Vote on Article 1.

Polls were opened at 5:45 A. M. by the Moderator. There were 1021 votes cast under Article I.

Men	513
Women	508
	<hr/>
Total	1021

MODERATOR—for one year.

Wolcott, Oliver	796	Blanks	225
-----------------	-----	--------	-----

TOWN CLERK—for one year.

Whipple, Francis H.	888	Blanks	133
---------------------	-----	--------	-----

SELECTMEN—three for one year.

Haley, Everett P.	676	Dodge, Benjamin A.	315
DeWitt, Edward A.	673	Anderson, George E.	226
Stone, Lawrence R.	659	Blanks	512

TREASURER—for one year.

Sellman, Walfred B.	837	Blanks	184
---------------------	-----	--------	-----

TAX COLLECTOR—for one year.

Crowell, Bertha L.	915	Blanks	106
--------------------	-----	--------	-----

ASSESSOR —for three years.

Chittick, Robert H.	818	Blanks	203
---------------------	-----	--------	-----

SURVEYOR OF HIGHWAYS—for one year.

Thompson, Leland D.	798	Blanks	54
Stelline, James J.	169		

TREE WARDEN—for one year.

Haraden, Rudolph H.	852	Blanks	169
---------------------	-----	--------	-----

CONSTABLES—three for one year

Poole, Charles F.	744	Goodhue, Frederick P.	171
Frederick, Edward	730	Stone, Raymond H.	126
Tree, Barkley W.	500	Bradstreet, Walter C.	101

TRUSTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY—for three years.

Trussell, Sarah H.	766	Blanks	255
--------------------	-----	--------	-----

WATER COMMISSIONER—for three years.

Ricker, Carl G.	779	Blanks	242
-----------------	-----	--------	-----

SCHOOL COMMITTEE—for three years.

MacCurrach, Allan	581	Blanks	72
Woodman, Nellie E.	368		

SCHOOL COMMITTEE—for two years.

Love, G. Gordon	519	Blanks	193
Sargent, Edward H.	309		

SCHOOL COMMITTEE—for one year.

Adams, Harriett F.	631	Blanks	389
Geoffrey Sargent	1		

SCHOOL COMMITTEE—for two years (unexpired)

Preston, Richard	590	Blanks	205
Lewis, Clarence W.	226		

CEMETERY COMMISSIONER—for three years.

Foster, Lawrence C.	58	Foote, Lewis	1
Goodhue, Fredreick	5	Sargent, Geoffrey	1
Burns, Robert L.	4	Daley, Harold A.	1
Pfaff, Henry	2	Blanks	948
Dodge, Charles H.	1		

PARK COMMISSIONER—for three years

Sanford, Ray M.	292	Johnson, Frederick R.	151
Allen, Stanley E.	282	Blanks	144
Robertson, Benjamin G.	152		

PLANNING BOARD—for five years.

Moynihan, Francis C.	653	Blanks	368
----------------------	-----	--------	-----

QUESTION

Part 1. Shall the town vote that the office of town accountant be placed within the classified civil service?

Yes	482
No	224
Blanks	315

Part 2. If it is voted to place the office of town accountant within the classified civil service, shall the town vote to provide for the continuance in said office of Francis H. Whipple, the present incumbent thereof, after passing a qualifying examination?

Yes	540
No	138
Blanks	343

The Moderator read the results of the voting and declared the meeting adjourned at five minutes after nine (9:05) in the evening.

A true copy.

Attest: FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE.

Town Clerk.

REPORT OF SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

HELD AUGUST 29, 1947

The Meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Oliver Wolcott, at 8:14 P. M. A count of the voters present was made by the Moderator and the Town Clerk, each counting fifty-five. The Moderator then declared more than a quorum present, and proceeded with the meeting.

In the absence of a member of the Clergy, the Moderator lead the meeting in repeating the Lord's Prayer.

The Warrant was read by the Moderator, and the meeting proceeded to act upon the articles contained therein.

Article 1. To see if the town will vote to rescind the vote passed under Article 1 of the warrant for the special town meeting held November 25, 1941, which authorized an appropriation and loan of \$60,000.00 for the purpose of laying and relaying water mains along Cutler Road, Highland Street, Miles River Road, Bridge Street, Essex Street and Main Street.

Vote: Moved by George A. Harrigan, and duly seconded, that the vote passed under Article 1 of the warrant for the special town meeting held November 25, 1941, which authorized an appropriation and loan of \$60,000.00 for the purpose of laying and relaying water mains along Cutler Road, Highland Street, Miles River Road, Bridge Street, Essex Street and Main Street, be and hereby is rescinded.

Remarks: Mr. John E. Hartnett, Jr., advised the meeting that it was the recommendation of the Finance Committee that no action be taken on this article at this time as the Committee will recommend that action on Article 2 be postponed until the next annual town meeting, it being the opinion of the Finance Committee that use could be made of the \$60,000.00 already authorized for the purchase of pipe and materials by the Water Board. Mr. George A. Harrigan, Chairman of the Board of Water Commissioners, doubted if money could be borrowed on an authorization nearly six years old. In response to an inquiry by Mr. Holland, Chairman of the Finance Committee, Town Counsel, Robert B. Walsh, advised that in his opinion considerable difficulty would be encountered in obtaining a loan on the authorization of November 25, 1941. There being no further remarks, the Moderator proceeded with the vote on the motion.

Voice vote on Motion. Motion declared unanimously carried.

Article 2. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of laying and relaying water mains in the town of not less than six inches but less than sixteen inches in diameter, and determine how the money shall be raised, by borrowing or otherwise, or take any action relative thereto.

Vote: Moved by George A. Harrigan, and duly seconded, that there be raised and appropriated the sum of ONE HUNDRED AND NINETEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$119,000.00) for the purpose of laying

and relaying water mains of not less than six inches but less than sixteen inches in diameter along Highland Street, Lake Drive, Perkins Avenue, Cutler Road, Main Street, Howard Street, Savoy Road, Naples Road, North Street, Miles River Road, Orchard Street, Norman Street, Bridge Street, Sagamore Street and Moulton Street, and to meet such appropriation the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of ONE HUNDRED AND NINETEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$119,000.00) and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor, said notes or bonds to be payable in accordance with the provisions of section 9 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws (Terc. Ed.) so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than fifteen (15) years from the date of issue of the first bond or note, or at such earlier date as the Town Treasurer and Selectmen may determine; that the board of Water Commissioners be and hereby are authorized to proceed with the laying and relaying of said water mains and to enter into all necessary and proper contracts and agreements in respect thereto, and that the Town Treasurer and the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized to do all acts and things necessary or convenient for obtaining said loan and the carrying out of such work.

Remarks: Theodore A. Holland and John E. Hartnett, Jr., members of the Finance Committee, advised the meeting that the Finance Committee favors the extension of the water system so that all persons who desire town water, would be taken care of, but recommended postponement of any action on this article until the next annual town meeting so that a survey and plan could be made showing just where the pipe would be laid. George A. Harrigan, Chairman of the Board of Water Commissioners, advised the meeting that he felt the article should be acted upon favorably at this time, as by doing so, the Water Board would be in a position to place orders for pipe and material now, and installation would undoubtedly begin in 1948; but if action was postponed until the next annual meeting, installations would be delayed that much longer. Comments for and against the motion were made by other voters present.

The Moderator called for a voice vote on the motion. The vote was not unanimous, and the Moderator then called for a standing vote.

A count of the standing vote on the motion made by the Moderator and concurred by the Town Clerk showed fifty-five voters present, forty-four voting in favor of the motion, three voting against the motion.

Voters Present	55
"Yes" Votes	44
"No" Votes	3

Moderator declared Motion Carried by necessary two-thirds vote.

Article 3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to construct a new reservoir of a 150,000 gallon capacity on Brown's Hill, so-called, for the purpose of providing additional water storage facilities for the town water system, providing for the installation of additional wells, pipes and original pumping station equipment, or take any action thereon.

Vote: Moved by George A. Harrigan, and duly seconded, that there be raised and appropriated the sum of THIRTY-THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$33,000.00) for the purpose of constructing a new reservoir on the property of the town on Bridge Street, acquired from Emily P. Mandell, June 30, 1938, Brown's Hill, so called, and adjacent to the present reservoir, for the purpose of providing additional water storage facilities for the town water system, and for the town water system, and for providing for the installation of additional well fields, including wells, pipes and original pumping station equipment, and to meet such appropriation the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of THIRTY-THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$33,000.00) and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor, said notes or bonds to be payable in accordance with the provisions of Section 8 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws (Terc. Ed.), so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than fifteen years from the date of issue of the first bond or note or at such earlier date as the Town Treasurer and Selectmen may determine; that the Board of Water Commissioners be and hereby are authorized to proceed with the construction of a new reservoir on the property of the town on Bridge Street, acquired from Emily P. Mandell, June 30, 1938, Brown's Hill, so called, and adjacent to the present reservoir and to develop additional well fields, including wells, pipes and original pumping station equipment, and to enter into all necessary and proper contracts and agreements in respect thereto, and that the Town Treasurer and the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized to do all acts and things necessary or convenient for obtaining said loan and the carrying out of such work.

Amendment by Theodore A. Holland, that the sum of FIFTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$15,000.00) be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Fund for the purpose of increasing the storage facilities of the present reservoir on Brown's Hill, so called, Bridge Street, for the development of additional well fields, including wells, pipes and original pumping station equipment, the work to be done under the direction and supervision of the Board of Water Commissioners, and said board be and hereby are authorized to enter into all necessary contracts and agreements in respect thereto.

Remarks by George A. Harrigan, Theodore A. Holland and other voters present.

The Moderator called for a voice vote on Mr. Holland's amendment.

Voice Vote—Moderator declared Amendment Defeated.

The Moderator called for a voice vote on Mr. Harrigan's Motion. The vote was not unanimous, and the Moderator then called for a standing vote.

A count of the standing vote on the motion made by the Moderator and concurred by the Town Clerk showed fifty-five voters present, forty-four voting in favor of the motion, two voting against the motion.

Voters Present	55
"Yes" Votes	44
"No" Votes	2

Moderator declared Motion Carried by necessary two-thirds vote.

Article 4. To act on any other matter that may legally come before said meeting.

Moderator advised that if there is no further business to come before the meeting, a motion to adjourn is in order.

Vote: Moved by Lawrence R. Stone, and duly seconded, that the Meeting adjourn.

The Moderator called for a voice vote on the motion.

Moderator declared the motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 8:40 P. M.

Attest: FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE,
Town Clerk.

VITAL STATISTICS

1947 BIRTHS RECORDED

William Charles, son of Arnold E. and Edith M. (Fredriksen) Morgan.
 Arnold Robert, son of Robert H. and Norma M. (Bowley) Kirby.
 Jane Alice, daughter of John F. and Mary E. (Burns) Counihan.
 Marilyn Lee, daughter of George A. and Eleanor L. (Thompson) Harrigan.
 Walter Hurd, son of Walter H. and Marion L. (Fuller) Shaw.
 Edwin Thomas, son of Warren D. and Frances D. (Jones) Bennett.
 Anthony Morse, son of Arthur M. and Anstiss (Dana) Jones.
 David Alan, son of Warren R. and Majorie H. (Hatt) Gray.
 Joane, daughter of Richard L. and Eileen F. (Torpey) Greeley.
 Arthur Herbert, son of Lewis P. and Ellena E. (Thibault) Foote.
 Wendell Edward, son of Amas W. and Pearl M. (Vanier) Fuller.
 Joseph Martin, son of Joseph M. and Cecilia A. (Lavoie) Baker.
 Tina Kathleen, daughter of Stickney J. and Ruth (Trash) Tillson.
 Ford Chester, son of Ford C. and Julia L. (Peterson) June.
 David Guy, son of Francis N. and Thelma L. (Bailey) Cameron.
 John Spurrier, son of Angus, and Betty (Swihart) Dun.
 Gwen Lorna, daughter of Vernon W. and Ethel F. (Ross) Campbell.
 Paul Joseph, son of Albert P. and Alice E. (Landry) Gillissen.
 Ernest Ralph, son of Earle C. and Ruth (Caverly) Faulkner.
 Katherine Elizabeth, daughter of David S. and Elizabeth (Olson) Eynon.
 Carol Ann, daughter of Peter N. and Annie M. (Maione) Colantoni.
 Paula Ann, daughter of Richard W. and Pose B. (Blunda) Ford.
 Anne Marie, daughter of Norman J. and Rose A. (Perron) Richards.
 John Kenneth, son of John R. and Grace A. (Wilson) Chisholm.
 Linda, daughter of George W. and Evelyn M. (Dodge) Chamberlain.
 Suzanne Marie, daughter of Ralph D. and Rita V. (Cullen) Finney.
 Linda Lee, daughter of Raymond D. and Teresa C. (Cronin) Mailhoit.
 Penny, daughter of Jakob O. and Virginia (Wallace) Christofferson.
 Nancy Jean, daughter of Harold E. and Stella J. (Kuconis) Doyle.
 Linda Elaine, daughter of Henry A. and Millicent E. (True) Tarr.
 James Patton, son of James A. and Ruth E. (Patton) Totten.
 Bradley Francis, son of Francis V. and Lucy L. (Frothingham) Poole.
 Marjorie Ann, daughter of Albert D. and Ruth L. (Day) Coonrod.
 Geraldine Anne, daughter of Orville H. and Nina M. (Miles) Wheatley.
 Karen Elizabeth, daughter of Francis N. and June M. (Jorgensen) Keefe.
 Sandra Lee, daughter of Edward B. and Barbara (Allen) Thacher.
 Robert John, son of Robert J. and Mary C. (Stelline) Butman.
 Alice Louise, daughter of Earle L. and Dorothy L. (Roderick) Whitcomb.
 David Earl, son of Cecil R. and Bertha (Mann) Killam.
 Sandra Eileen, daughter of Everett S. and Ruth E. (Doane) Mitchell.
 John Leslie, son of Roland P. and Edna L. (Sweet) Berry.
 Christine Evelyn, daughter of George V. and Evelyn A. (Moore) Shannon.
 Sharon Louise, daughter of Varnum S. and Louise H. (Porter) Pedrick.
 Wayne Pierce, son of Albert P. and Netherline V. (Bray) Lougee.

Tina Charlotte, daughter of Richard E. and Ruth H. (Jackson) Knowlton.
 David Richard, son of Donald R. and Marjorie E. (Campbell) Plummer.
 James Mason, son of George H. and Edna A. (Sprague) Barney.
 Susan Rita, daughter of Thomas J. and Zelna A. (Whalen) Walsh.
 Linda Joan, daughter of John J. and Carolyn L. (Saville) Cullity.
 Bruce Vincent, son of John S. and Ann H. (Wilcox) Sargent.

1947 MARRIAGES RECORDED

Everett S. Mitchell of Hamilton, Mass.
 Ruth E. Doane of Woburn, Mass.

Eugene Calvert Cheston of Philadelphia, Pa.
 Nancy Meyer of Hamilton, Mass.

Jacob Joseph Burridge of Ipswich, Mass.
 Rita Eloise Cullity of Hamilton, Mass.

Peter Ten Eyck Gebhard, Jr. of Auburn, N. Y.
 Eliabeth Ellen Meakin of Danvers, Mass.

Robert A. McRae of Hamilton, Mass.
 Eva Mary Lamothe of Ipswich, Mass.

Raymond L. Boucher of Rochester, N. H.
 Edna Rosen of Rochester, N. H.

Donald R. McDougall of Hamilton, Mass.
 Ruth Tanner of Hamilton, Mass.

Amos W. A. Fuller, Jr. of Hamilton, Mass.
 Pearl M. Covey (Vanier) of Lynn, Mass.

Louis J. Zampell of Beverly, Mass.
 Theresa M. Stelline of Hamilton, Mass.

Carroll Winthrop Crosby of Hamilton, Mass.
 Margaret Ellen Page of Beverly, Mass.

Arthur Michael Knight of Salem, Mass.
 Gladys Bertha Back of Hamilton, Mass.

Edmund Richard of Wenham, Mass.
 Ruth F. Dodge of Hamilton, Mass.

Walter Burton Hopping of Hamilton, Mass.
 Charlotte Mertina Lewis of North Andover, Mass.

Stanley H. Lavoie of Hamilton, Mass.
 Florence F. Baker of Hamilton, Mass.

Howard Rutherford Shaw of Sanborn, N. H.
 Frances DeCourcy of Hamilton, Mass.

Eugene E. Lloyd of Somerville, Mass.
 Mary E. Curran of Gloucester, Mass.

Charles S. Bird III of East Walpole, Mass.
 Jean Cochrane of Hamilton, Mass.

Roger W. Martin of Hamilton, Mass.
 Dorothy E. Vickery of Hamilton, Mass.

Francis W. Sargent of Hamilton, Mass.
 Mary C. Flanagan of Belmont, Mass.

James Henry Dunn of Hamilton, Mass.
 Rhoda Elizabeth Emeny of Wenham, Mass.

Chester Francis Lander of Hamilton, Mass.
 Doris Patricia Byron of Woburn, Mass.

John MacDougall Graham of New York City, N. Y.
 Janet Welldon of Hamilton, Mass.

Herman E. Putnam of Beverly, Mass.
 Georgiana B. Tate of Hamilton, Mass.

John E. Cox, Jr. of Hamilton, Mass.
 Catherine E. Kossman of Danvers, Mass.

Harold Norman Ward of Monroe, N. H.
 Eva Ann Wilson of Hamilton, Mass.

Bobbie Lee Holman of Benton, Ill.
 Madeline Emma Appleton of Hamilton, Mass.

James J. Stelling of Hamilton, Mass.
 Viola M. Dukeshire of Ipswich, Mass.

Walter B. Maxwell of Hamilton, Mass.
 Jean M. Maxwell of Lynnfield Center, Mass.

Stanford Greenwood Goulding of Hamilton, Mass.
 Elinor Florence Hart of Beverly, Mass.

Stanley Elmer Allen, Jr. of Hamilton, Mass.
Mary C. Horgan of Beverly, Mass.

Luther William Packard of Beverly, Mass.
Barbara Frances Foster of Hamilton, Mass.

Calvin Alexander of Akron, Ohio.
Arlene Flynn of Hamilton, Mass.

Gordon L. Thompson of Hamilton, Mass.
Barbara A. Brooks of Hamilton, Mass.

James Albert Watson, Jr. of Danvers, Mass.
Marjorie P. Brown of Danvers, Mass.

Harry James Crossan, Jr. of Bakersfield, California.
Constance Whitney Minot of Beverly, Mass.

Harry R. MacGregor of Hamilton, Mass.
Louise A. Trainor of Salem, Mass.

Cornelius Conway Felton, Jr. of Hamilton, Mass.
Katherine Hunnewell of South Natick, Mass.

Thomas Joseph Mullins of Hamilton, Mass.
Mabel Winona Thomas of Beverly, Mass.

Chester Hobson Peabody of Hamilton, Mass.
Lavinia Foster (Ingalls) Humphrey of Hamilton, Mass.

George C. H. Perkins of Hamilton, Mass.
Irene A. Rynkowski of Salem, Mass.

Evangeles Polychronoplos of Hamilton, Mass.
Dorothy M. Dodge of Hamilton, Mass.

Clarence A. Greene of Hamilton, Mass.
Isabella F. (Salles) Rice of Hamilton, Mass.

William H. Martin of Hamilton, Mass.
Margaret E. Goodhue of Hamilton, Mass.

Robert E. McPhee of Gloucester, Mass.
Veronica J. Trembley of Hamilton, Mass.

1947 DEATHS RECORDED

	<i>Yrs.</i>	<i>Mos.</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Hrs.</i>
Edith B. Davidson	84	6	28	
Leonard J. Wilson	55	2	14	
Mary Jacobs Yotoutas	59	9	4	
Alice Brewer	88	11	25	
Jane Kelleher	72			
Henry Dodge	77			
Peter MacCurrach	67	7	23	
William Frederick Morse	77	6	13	
Henry Roy	47	8	26	
Andrew W. Wallace	80			
Minnie L. Twichell	81	7	5	
Robert Robertson	60	5	18	
Rodolphe A. Smerage	47	6	20	
Catherine Roberta Burns	1	7	7	
Frances Curtis Ahl	77	2	5	
Emma Maude Pierson	70	9	27	
Mary A. MacGregor	82	7	16	
Fred Greenway	73	6	11	
George H. Haraden	68		8	
Grace Swazey	71			
Hattie Mattie	63	11	10	
Dorothy Welch	43			
Daniel Roch Birmingham	50	7	13	
Maidment				3
Thomas W. Green	62	1	24	
Walter S. Perkins	59	11	17	

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

To the Citizens of Hamilton:

Greetings:

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41, Section 35, of the General Laws, I submit herewith my annual report of the Treasury Department for the year ending December 31, 1947.

TREASURER'S CASH

Receipts	\$528,866.51	
Payments	324,988.72	
		<hr/>
		\$203,877.79
Cash	\$4,781.76	
Beverly Trust	51,252.80	
Merchants National	5,030.81	
Day Trust Co.	142,812.42	
		<hr/>
		\$203,877.79

I wish to take this opportunity to convey my sincere thanks to not only the town officials, but also the many persons who have assisted me during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
WALFRED B. SELLMAN.

JURY LIST FOR 1948

Charles R. Appleton, Main Street, Machinist
 Harvey Barnes, Lincoln Avenue, Foreman
 Richard Cameron, Essex Street, Gardener
 Thomas Corrow, Main Street, Machinist
 Donald C. Davis, Walnut Road, Mechanic
 Charles W. Dolliver, Hamilton Avenue, Mechanic
 Henry W. Gardiner, Lake Drive, Machinist
 Philip C. Hopkins, Mill Street, Salesman
 Edward V. Manthorne, Cutler Road, Caretaker
 Harry L. Moore, Cutler Road, Clerk
 Arnold E. Morgan, Goodhue Street, Gardener
 Cornelius J. Mullins, Pleasant Street, Inspector
 Henry N. Pfaff, Cummings Street, Clerk
 William P. Poole, Main Street, Machinist
 Herbert Sellman, Bridge Street, Painter
 Lester F. Standley, Lincoln Avenue, Painter
 Albert J. St. Germain, Maple Street, Machinist
 Gordon L. Thompson, Essex Street, Contractor
 Wesley H. Towle, Pine Street, Carpenter
 John T. Walke, Mill Street, Superintendent
 Edward W. Wallace, Rust Street, Salesman

TOWN COLLECTOR'S REPORT

In account with the Town of Hamilton

Year	Tax	Outstanding Jan. 1, 1947	Refunds	Collected	Abatements	Transferred to Tax Title	Un- collected Jan. 1, 1948
1946	Real Estate	\$9,294 92	\$351 00	\$9,192 32	\$453 60	None	None
1946	Personal	527 75		506 15	21 60		None
1946	Motor Excise	35 42					
	Committed in 1947	291 05		318 92	7 55		None
Commitments							
1947	Real Estate	\$162,018 58	199 68	\$150,672 51	\$2,096 66	\$12 64	\$9,436 45
1947	Personal	18,507 81	28 44	17,710 95	139 04		686 26
1947	Polls	1,512 00	100 00	1,138 00	474 00		None
1947	Motor Excise	8,283 72	23 99	7,530 79	311 76		465 16
1947	Water Rates Bal.	824 12		Lien 23 80			
	Commitments	11,413 57	1 40	11,220 42	55 00		939 87
1947	Water Services Bal.	68 24					
	Commitments	646 24		484 47	1 00		229 01
1947	Cemetery Bal.	87 25					
	Commitment	408 25		353 75	6 00		135 75

Respectfully submitted,

BERTHA L. CROWELL, Town Collector.

REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS

Herewith is the annual report of the Assessors for the year ending December 31st, 1947:

Value of buildings	\$3,817,425 00	
Value of land	1,306,495 00	
Value of real estate	\$5,123,920 00	
Value of personal estate	583,040 00	
		\$5,706,960 00
Tax on real estate	\$161,915 88	
Tax on personal estate	18,424 07	
Tax on polls	1,412 00	
Total tax levy		\$181,751 95
Rate per thousand	\$31 60	
Number of horses	120	
Number of cows	110	
Number of neat cattle	107	
Number of swine	9	
Number of sheep	37	
Number of fowl	2,880	
Number of acres of land	7,750	
Number of dwellings	949	
Number of persons and corporations assessed:		
Personal estate only	45	
Personal and real estate	160	
Real estate only	761	

1947 RECAPITULATION

Total appropriations to be raised by taxation	\$246,574 12
Total appropriations to be taken from avail- funds in 1947:	
(a) In 1947	\$2,059 15
(b) In 1947 since 1947 tax rate was fixed	7,722 37
	\$9,781 52
	\$256,355 64
Underestimate of 1946 overlay	423 32
State—Tax and assessment, 1947 estimates:	
State tax	\$4,500 00
State parks and reservations	232 69
State audit of Municipal Accounts	110 18
1946 Underestimate	87 26
	4,930 13

County—Tax and assessments, 1947 estimates:

County tax	13,036 25	
Tuberculosis Hospital assessment	3,850 25	
1946 Underestimate	248 65	
	<hr/>	17,135 15
Overlay of current year		2,150 67

Gross amount to be raised		280,994 91
---------------------------	--	------------

Estimated Receipts and Available Funds:

Income Tax	\$16,351 10	
Corporation Taxes	8,094 34	
Reimbursement on account of Public Owned Land	2,389 38	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	5,500 00	
Gasoline Tax under Acts of 1946	5,355 37	
Special Assessments—Moth Private	970 00	
Licenses	1,570 00	
Charities (other than federal grants for aid to dependent children)	1,200 00	
Old Age Assistance (other than fed- eral grants)	9,500 00	
Old Age Tax (Meals)	575 00	
Soldier's Benefits	150 00	
Schools	4,000 00	
Public Service Enterprise (Water)	10,500 00	
Cemeteries (other than trust funds and sale of lots)	600 00	
Interest: On Taxes and Assessments	200 00	
Protection of Persons and Property	25 00	
Health and Sanitation	1,100 00	
Grants and Gifts	440 00	
Supplementary Cherry Street May 6, 1947	10,941 25	
	<hr/>	\$79,461 44

Amounts Voted from Available Funds:

Approval May 27, 1947	2,059 15
Approval May 27, 1947	7,722 37
Approval May 27, 1947	10,000 00
	<hr/>
	19,781 52

Total Estimated Receipts	\$99,242 96
--------------------------	-------------

Net Amount to be raised by Taxation	\$181,751 95
-------------------------------------	--------------

RECAPITULATION OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE

Assessed in the Town of Hamilton for 1947

Number of cars	1211
Total Motor Vehicle Excise committed	\$8,283 72
Total Motor Vehicle Valuation	\$300,590 00

To the Taxpayers of the Town of Hamilton:

During this year you were furnished a Valuation Book which we trust was of interest to you.

The 1948 tax rate on Motor Vehicles is \$38.07 per thousand. This is an increase of a dollar and eighty four cents over the year of 1947. The State Department is doing the valuing of Motor Vehicles.

When a person sells or tranfers a Motor Vehicle a return of proof of sale must be made to the Assessors before any abatement can be made. If car is sold to a dealer, forms may be obtained from the dealer.

Applications for abatement for any kind of tax will not be accepted by the Board unless filed within the time provided by law and on a form approved by the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation.

The Board holds their meetings one day a week and by appointment.

PLEASE READ ALL PRINTING ON YOUR TAX BILL.

Respectfully submitted,

JESSE S. MANN

ROBERT H. CHITTICK

DONALD G. TRUSSELL

Board of Assessors.

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

GENTLEMEN:

The Engineers of the Fire Department herewith submit their report for the year ending December 31, 1947.

The department responded to 71 alarms as follows: 48 bells, 3 false, 16 stills, 3 out of town and 1 inhalator.

The amount of hose laid, 2½ inch, 5450 ft.; 1½ inch, 1450 ft.; ¾ inch, 8175 ft.

11,250 gallons of water were used from booster tanks.

The Seagrave Triple Combination Pumping Engine arrived and passed the Underwriters' Test. It was put into service at once.

The Ford Chemical, purchased in 1916, is now returned to the town through the generosity of Mr. Clifford Smith.

400 ft. of 2½ inch hose and 300 ft. of ¾ inch hose was purchased during the year.

	<i>Date</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Street</i>	<i>Owner</i>
	1947			
Jan.	6	Broken Pipe.	Mill Street,	Frank Tree
	12	Oil Burner.	Hamilton Avenue,	Richard Smith
	15	House.	Perkins Avenue,	Lloyd Ricker
	19	Brush,	Highland Street,	Sumner Pingree
	28	House.	Topsfield Road,	Harry Durham
	28	House.	Rust Street,	Helena Cullity
	29	Rubbish,	Topsfield Road,	Asbury Grove Corp.
	30	Gas Stove Oven.	Maple Street,	Robert Dewar
Feb.	3	False Alarm.	Wenham	
	6	False Alarm.	Cutler Road	
	10	Grass,	Highland Street,	Charles Dean
	11	Grass,	Arthur Avenue.	L. Ruest
	13	Grass,	Bridge Street,	E. W. Henderson
	13	Grass.	Sagamore Street,	George Clement
	14	Grass,	Maple Street,	Frank Lennard
	14	Grass,	Highland Street,	F. T. Colby
	15	Grass,	Hamilton Park,	Charles Henley
	15	Grass.	Maple Street,	Frank Lennard
	18	Grass.	Walnut Road,	H. J. Gourdeau
Mar.	8	False		
	15	Grass.	Main Street,	Andrew Anderson
	17	False		
	19	Grass,	Main Street,	F. P. Sears

<i>Date</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Street</i>	<i>Owner</i>
1947			
	23	Grass, Asbury Street,	Edith Gardiner
	28	Grass, Essex Street,	T. A. Holland
	28	Grass, Main Street,	George Meyer
	29	Garage, Elliott Street,	Harold Back
	31	Grass and Brush, Lake Shore Road,	I. L. Morse
Apr.	1	Grass and Brush, Main Street,	Charles Rider
	1	Grass and Brush, Linden Street,	T. A. Moynihan
	4	Grass and Brush, Bridge Street,	Emma Rice
	4	Grass and Brush, Sagamore Street,	N. J. McCarthy
	6	Motor, Asbury Street,	Robert Robertson
	10	Grass and Brush, Cutler Road,	Hans Nielson, George Meyer
	11	Grass and Brush, Winthrop Street,	State Park
	11	Rubbish, Linden Street,	Town of Hamilton
	14	Oil Burner, Railroad Avenue,	Edward Hall
	20	Chimney, Cutler Road,	George Meyer
	24	Grass and Brush, Asbury Street,	Katherine Winthrop
May	10	Brush and Lumber, Willow Street,	Dr. Sullivan
	12	Brush and Grass, Cutler Road,	Harvard College
June	1	Building, Woodbury Street,	Helen Frick
	16	Grass and Brush, Asbury Street,	Katherine Winthrop
	23	Grass and Brush, Woodbury Street,	Helen Frick
Aug.	8	Auto, Main Street,	Walter Snow
	15	Inhalator Call,	Wenham
Sept.	2	Trees burning from wires, Pleasant Street,	Town of Hamilton
	3	Oil Burner, Railroad Avenue,	Edward Hall
	17	Rubbish, Main Street,	B. M. Hall
	26	Dump, Highland Street,	T. A. Moynihan
	27	Dump, Highland Street,	T. A. Moynihan
Oct.	7	Dump, Highland Street,	Mrs. Grace Davison
	8	Trailer, Topsfield,	Wesley Green
	16	Brush, Highland Street,	Asbury Grove Corp.
	20	Brush, Topsfield Road,	Town of Hamilton
	22	Grease on a stove, Main Street,	Arthur T. Roche
	22	Dump, Cutler Road, Est. of	R. H. Smith
	23	Leaves, Gardner Street,	Dr. J. J. Corcoran
	23	Woods, Gloucester	
	28	Wenham	
Nov.	5	Rubbish, Main Street,	John Ostrom
	8	Tree burned by wire, Gardner Street,	Town of Hamilton
	14	Stable, Highland Street,	Frederick Winthrop
	15	Hay and Timber, Highland Street,	Frederick Winthrop
	14	House, Topsfield	
	14	Cottage, Log Cabin Road,	G. Harrison
	15	Auto, Railroad Avenue,	Samuel Conary
	16	Leaves, Bridge Street,	Forester Clark

<i>Date</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Street</i>	<i>Owner</i>
1947			
18	House,	Bridge Street,	Philip Graham
22	Grass,	Maple Street,	Mary Cunningham
22	House,	Main Street,	John Hollister

Respectfully submitted,

A. MERRILL CUMMINGS

EARL E. JOHNSON

RUDOLPH H. HARADEN

Board of Fire Engineers.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

GENTLEMEN:

I have the honor to submit to you the Annual Report of the Department of Sealer of Weights and Measures for the year ending December 31, 1947.

Scales	Adjusted	Sealed	Not Sealed	Condemned
Platform over 10,000 lbs.	..	2	..	..
Counter 100 to 5,000	1	10	..	1
Spring 100 to 5,000	..	1	..	..
Spring 100 and under	..	1	1	..
Computing 100 to 5,000	..	1	..	..
Computing under 100	1	8	..	..
Personal Weighing	..	2	..	..
Weights				
Avoirdupois	..	30	..	..
Apothecary	..	20	..	..
Volumetric Measures				
Liquid Measures under 1 gal.	22	..	..	..
Baskets Wood	2	..	..	2
Automatic Liquid Measuring Devices				
Oil Pumps	..	..	22	..
Gasoline Meter Systems	..	29	3	..
Vehicle Meter Systems	..	4	..	..
Grease Measuring Devices	..	5	..	..
Linear Measures				
Yard Sticks	..	1	..	..
Reweghing Commodities Sold or Put Up for Sale				
Number correct				37
Number under				23
Number over				284

Respectfully submitted,

ERVING O. MAXWELL,

Sealer.

REPORT OF THE TOWN OF HAMILTON PLANNING BOARD

Your Planning Board has been most actively engaged during the year 1947-48 in the project of reviewing the proposed Zoning By-law, which was submitted to the Town Meeting of a year ago. Much constructive criticism was forthcoming at that time, and the members of your Board have made every effort individually during the year to assemble information which would be constructive in the re-drafting of the Zoning By-law.

Maintaining the fundamental belief in mind that the Town wishes to retain its general character as a residential town, your Board has held two public hearings since the first of the year in order to enable the citizens of Hamilton to express their point of view in this regard. After considerable study and review a revised Zoning By-law has been drawn up and will be circulated to every home along with this copy of the annual Town Report. Your Board believes this new proposed Zoning By-law to be a fair one and that it gives the Town and its residents much needed protection from speculative or obnoxious outside encroachment, but at the same time permits healthy growth. We wish to re-emphasize our conviction that the adoption of this By-law by the Town is imperative now. Delay in so doing may result in harm to the Town and to many of its residents.

It seems advisable to point out a few of the things which the proposed By-law does not do. There was considerable misunderstanding on these points last year and we believe it well to re-emphasize these facts:

(1) It does not change any existing building or alter the present use of any property or land. Whatever is being done now may be continued regardless of the district in which the building or property is located.

(2) It does not impose any limit upon the cost of a house or other building whether it be large or small.

(3) It does not prevent growth of business in the Town. Plenty of room has been provided in districts designated for business for many years to come.

(4) It does not prevent the use of a less than minimum size lot already in existence. A separate lot of less than minimum size may be built on or may be sold and the buyer may build on it.

It should be pointed out that this By-law may be amended at any Town Meeting.

During the year your Board devoted considerable study to the desirability of establishing a Town Dump. After the necessary facts were gathered together a public hearing on this matter was held. The interest of the town inhabitants was so small, and objection to certain locations for the Town Dump was so evident that your Board decided to table the matter, at least for the time being.

A careful study of the traffic and parking conditions in the business district was made, and after a public hearing on the matters, a carefully drawn up list of recommendations was submitted to the Board of Selectmen. It is our understanding that action in conjunction with these recom-

mendations is to be taken at the Annual Meeting this year. It might be well to point out that a study was made of the advisability of securing a parking lot in South Hamilton, and while we understand no action is to be taken at this time the opinion of your Board is that it probably will be necessary some time in the near future.

We should like to take this opportunity to thank the many organizations in the Town, as well as individuals, who have been very helpful in providing your Board with constructive suggestions. Also we should like to thank the State Planning Board, as well as our Town Counsel for their help.

We recommend, and sincerely hope, that the proposed By-law be accepted at the Town Meeting to be held March 1, 1948 or at an adjournment thereof.

JOHN R. HOLLISTER, Chairman
 STANDISH BRADFORD
 FRANCIS C. MOYNIHAN
 RICHARD H. SMITH
 M. KEITH LANDER

REPORT OF THE PARK COMMISSIONERS

To the Citizens of Hamilton:

The Board of Park Commissioners herewith submit its report for the year ending December 31, 1947.

The usual maintenance of the Mannassah Cutler Park, the Soldier's Green, the two triangles on Miles River Road and the baseball field in Winthrop Park at the High School was carried on as in previous years, and, in addition, improvements were made to these and our other Parks as described below.

At the General George S. Patton, Jr. Memorial Park a large new chain link backstop for the baseball diamond was erected. The baseball diamond was carefully brought into top condition by the Park Superintendent. Visiting baseball teams were loud in their praise of our baseball field as being the best in this section. A new drain was installed running from the parking lot to the brook under Main Street. A considerable amount of new playground equipment was erected in time for the summer activities. The soft ball field was put in shape and extensively used throughout the summer.

Our park on Roosevelt Avenue was equipped with some playground equipment and we hope that in the future we can add other pieces to it.

Playground activities were at a busy level this year with the guidance of Mr. George Taylor and Miss Pauline Knott as instructors. As in the previous year, one day a week was spent at the Robert B. Walsh Park at Chebacco Lake. An enjoyable day of swimming with our competent instructors was a great treat to the children. Busses were used for transpor-

tation and we want to thank the Moving Picture Committee of Community Service for their help in making this possible.

In an effort to keep our budget as low as possible, we are not taking on any special construction or projects this year. We do, though, have several definite needs for the future which are as follows: The construction of bleachers at the General George S. Patton, Jr. Memorial Park for the benefit of the baseball fans. Our teams need the support of more spectators who would show more interest in the baseball games if they had a suitable place to sit. We also need a permanent hockey rink for our skating pond. Lastly we very definitely need a Field House to provide adequate sanitary facilities for the children and also recreational activities for everyone in the town. This particular need is one we plan to develop to a greater extent later in the year.

We want to thank the many people in town who have contributed so generously of their time and effort to make our Park programs a successful one. We feel our Park Superintendent has done a fine job and that we are very fortunate in having so capable an employee.

In the future we hope that a program of developing Parks in different sections of the town may be furthered so that everyone can have the advantage of a recreational program.

Respectfully submitted,

RALSTON F. PICKERING
PHILIP C. HOPKINS
RAY M. SANFORD

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:

The Cemetery Commissioners submit herewith their report for the year ending December 31, 1947.

During the past year we have cleared and graded a block of thirty-six single graves thereby eliminating the shortage of single graves which existed last year. The new area joins the old single graves lot.

We are this year asking the voters to transfer from the Sale of Lots Fund the sum of \$1,800.00 to grade and seed a block of eight grave lots. A shortage of these family size lots exists at present. If said amount is transferred the shortage will be rectified for several years to come.

The new power mower which we hoped to purchase last year was not available therefore we were obliged to secure a good used machine.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND A. WHIPPLE
LAWRENCE C. FOSTER
JOHN T. WALKE

Commissioners.

REPORT OF GENERAL GEORGE S. PATTON, JR. MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of Hamilton:

In accordance with the vote of the Town at the 1947 annual meeting, the undersigned Committee has proceeded with plans for a Field House on the Patton Park. An architect, Mr. Leonard Goguen of Lexington, has been employed who prepared designs and plans from which the Committee directed the character and type of Field House it considered most suitable and useful to the Town. A booklet showing the final drawings was prepared and will have been distributed to all inhabitants of the Town before Town Meeting.

From this booklet you will see where the proposed Field House will be located adjacent to the skating rink, and the uses which the Committee envisions for it.

The Committee has not yet determined to what extent funds can be raised by private subscription. In view of the high cost of construction prevailing at the present time and the desirability of getting the best results for the Town, the Committee decided to recommend that no action be taken on the Field House at the 1948 Annual Meeting.

The Committee recommends however that it be continued with authority to complete the plans and specifications and to report, to the Town at the 1949 Annual Meeting or at an earlier special meeting if it appears desirable to do so.

Respectfully submitted,

STANDISH BRADFORD
ELMER H. SMITH
RAY M. SANFORD
PHILIP C. HOPKINS
RALSTON F. PICKERING
HAROLD A. DALEY
SAMUEL J. TYACK
FINLAY D. MACDONALD
FREDERIC WINTHROP, JR.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:

Your trustees are pleased to report a substantial overall increase in the number of townspeople availing themselves of our library—in particular the 122 new borrowers. It is significant where future library planning is concerned, that gains are entirely on the side of the “branch,” so called, at South Hamilton, which the circulation ratio favors by three to one, and where the subscriber increase was almost 20% in 1947. The librarian will make her book distribution plans accordingly.

The marked growth of the South Hamilton branch again points up the need for better, unified, and centrally located library facilities. A visit to the present inadequate quarters, actually bursting with books, will bring the need forcibly to mind. Again, hopefully, we submit the problem for the consideration of the townspeople.

In the year ahead, we plan to keep the citizens informed of new books by publication of the lists, and in this way we hope to receive increased suggestions to assist in purchasing, or on any other pertinent subject. Kindly address such communications to the trustees at Town Hall.

The trustees take this opportunity to express their thanks to the two splendid ladies who continued to serve the town so well as librarians. Mrs. Haraden and Mrs. Perley, whose interest in the development of our library far transcends the requirements of their positions.

Respectfully submitted,

BEATRICE B. HOLMES
SARAH H. TRUSSELL
JOHN F. NEARY

THE LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

To the Trustees of the Public Library:

Herewith is presented the fifty-fifth annual report.

The circulation of books for 1947 was 13,539; at the Main Library 3,632, a loss of 951; at the Branch Library 9,907, a gain of 1,858. Gain of 907 over 1946.

Circulation of periodicals was 1,214; at the Main Library 773; at the Branch Library 441. Circulation of books and magazines was 14,753. The Main Library 4,405, the Branch Library 10,348.

New subscribers 122; at the Main Library 15; at the Branch Library 107.

Respectfully submitted,

LYDIA L. HARADEN,
Librarian.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:

We submit a report of the activities of the Board of Health for the year 1947.

As has been customary in the past, bids were requested for the collection of garbage and rubbish for the period of May 1, 1947 to April 30, 1948. The contract for the collection of rubbish was awarded to Welch & Lamson, Inc. for \$2,184.00 and for the collection of garbage to Arthur Cook for \$2,500.00, the lowest bidders in both instances.

We request your continued cooperation in keeping your garbage can covered and free from glass, tin cans and other foreign matter as it is used as feed for pigs.

Various complaints relative to health problems have been received and investigated, with proper action being taken where warranted.

The following communicable diseases were reported during the year:

Dog Bite	1
German Measles	3
Mumps	22
Whooping Cough	15
Typhoid Fever	1
Pneumonia, Lobar	1
Chicken Pox	6

The following report submitted by Dr. King shows the activity of the Dental Clinic during the year.

I hereby submit my report of the Dental Clinic for the year 1947:

Children examined	185
X-Rays	31
Novocaine injections	37
Cleanings	117
Root canal treatments	7
Amalgam fillings	278
Cement fillings	61
Extractions 2nd teeth	13
Extractions 1st teeth	19

You will notice that during 1947 I extracted thirteen permanent teeth, ten more than in 1946. This was due to four new children coming into town, two from Chelsea and two from Beverly. These children were about eleven years old and had never had any dentistry done. Only three of our regular children lost second teeth and I believe these could have been avoided if the children had taken fuller advantage of the clinic.

There were 159 certificates given to the children in 1947.

Respectfully yours,

JOHN KING.

The Board wishes to thank all those who have assisted in any way during the year.

EVERETT F. HALEY
LAWRENCE R. STONE
EDWARD A. DEWITT

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my report of the activities of the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1947.

Total Arrests 42; Females 3, Males 39.

CLASSIFICATION OF CRIMES

Drunkenness	15	Leaving scene of accident	1
Non-support	1	Driving to endanger	3
Assault	3	Burning to defraud	2
Truancy	1	Breaking and entering	3
Larceny	2	Operating without license	1
Unlicensed dog	1	Operating under influence	5
Arson	4		

DISPOSITION OF CASES

DISTRICT COURT

Released without arraignment ..	12	Fined and paid	12
Sentenced to House of Correction	2	Appealed to Superior Court ..	6
Sentenced and put on probation	10		

SUPERIOR COURT

Found guilty and fined	6
------------------------------	---

ARRESTS BY OFFICERS

Frederick	37	Tree	4
Poole	1		

SUMMONS SERVED

For local department	9	For out of town police	22
----------------------------	---	------------------------------	----

AUTOMOBILE REGULATIONS

Licenses revoked by Registrar	7
Registrations revoked by Registrar	3
Automobile transfers	63

MISCELLANEOUS

Persons conveyed to hospitals and physicians	50
Dangerous wires reported	9
Street lights reported out	41
Street obstructions reported	7
Accidents involving personal injury	15
Accidents, property damage only	18
Assistance to out of town police	15

The Combination Ambulance-Cruiser has proved to be a valuable addition to the department. Many calls have been received to convey to hospitals and physicians persons injured in automobile accidents, as well as persons ill and requiring hospital care.

I wish to express my appreciation of the cooperation and assistance rendered by the police officers and all others who have assisted the department during the year.

Respectfully submitted

EDWARD FREDERICK,

Chief of Police.

REPORT OF SURVEYOR OF HIGHWAYS

To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:

The following report of the Highway Department for the year ending December 31, 1947 is respectfully submitted.

During the year the Highway Department has applied approximately 12,000 gallons of asphalt to the streets. An additional amount of 1,000 gallons was also used in mixing pea-stone and sand for patching broken shoulders and holes.

Hamilton Ave. was rebuilt and oiled and necessary drainage installed. A seal-coat is to be applied this year to complete it.

Savoy Rd. was excavated and necessary drainage installed. The completion of this project was held up due to the fact that being a new street water pipes had to be installed first and when this was finished it was too late in the season for the Highway Department to gravel and oil. This will be completed this year.

Snow removal is becoming more of a problem each year due to the labor situation which is still inadequate to handle any storm in the proper manner. If this condition is to continue some consideration should be given to the purchase of a Snow Loader. This would in no way effect the use of the present hand labor but would result in a speedier and more efficient removal of snow.

In closing I wish to express my appreciation to each and every Town Department and to the Citizens of the Town for their cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

LELAND D. THOMPSON,
Surveyor of Highways.

THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

To the Citizens of Hamilton:

We submit herewith a report of the activities of the Welfare Department for the year ending December 31, 1947.

Expenditures for assistance under General Relief during 1947 showed an increase of nearly \$1300 more than in 1946. This was due to increased budgetary allowances and an increase in the number of persons requiring assistance.

Old Age Assistance expenditures were increased over the 1946 figure by nearly \$2300, and for the same reasons as applied to General Relief.

Expenditures for Aid to Dependent Children were over \$100 less than was expended in 1946, and was due to recipients becoming self-supporting and not requiring assistance.

The Federal Government and the State continue to bear the major portion of the cost of Old Age Assistance and Aid to Dependent Children assistance. The following figures show the proportionate cost during 1947:

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Expenditures		Receipts	
By Town	\$22,538 50	Federal	\$10,282 29
		State	8,695 22
		Meals Tax	647 90
		Net Cost to Town	2,913 09
	<hr/>		<hr/>
	22,538 50		22,538 50

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

By Town	1,802 06	Federal	555 83
		State	626 42
		Net Cost to Town	619 81
	<hr/>		<hr/>
	1,802 06		1,802 06

We anticipate an increase in General Relief and Old Age Assistance expenditures in 1948, and a decrease in Aid to Dependent Children. Our budget for 1948 has been adjusted accordingly.

We wish to express our appreciation to the local physicians and our District Nurse, Miss Haynes, for their continued cooperation, and to all who have assisted us during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD A. DEWITT

EVERETT F. HALEY

LAWRENCE R. STONE

Board of Public Welfare.

REPORT OF THE WATER BOARD

To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:

The Board of Water Commissioners herewith submit their thirteenth annual report for the year ending December 31, 1947.

This is the eighth full year of operation and the following report shows steady growth in the Water Department.

	1946	1947
Number of services installed	23	23
Number of service connections	534	557
Number of hydrants	103	103
Number of active services	470	525
Commitments	\$9,933.08	\$12,058.31
Expenditures, Maintenance & Services	\$7,678.53	\$10,002.90
Pumpage (Gallons)	31,023,456	39,870,000
Largest single day pumpage (Gallons)	159,000	240,000

The year 1947 has brought a lot of difficulties in the water department.

The dry weather of the past few years has made our supply so low that it reached the danger point the past summer. An emergency was declared and all outside watering, sprinkling and use of swimming pools were curtailed.

After much thought and discussion with the Board of Selectmen and Mr. Charles Morse, our Engineer, a Town Meeting was called to act on the enlargement of the system.

The town voted to enlarge the reservoir by 150,000 gallons, to increase the present well field by the addition of twenty-five more driven wells and to bring our pumping capacity up to two hundred and fifty gallons per minute or more if possible.

The reservoir is practically completed and will be put into use by early spring. The well field is now under construction and will also be put into use by early spring.

The Town has voted to lay about five miles of main line pipe. The pipe and fittings for this work have been ordered and delivery is expected to be made early in the spring. Specifications and contracts are now being prepared for the installation, and it is expected that the job will be completed by late fall.

We feel that the increased capacity of the reservoir, and the enlargement of the well field will provide an ample supply of water at all times for several years to come. We realize that the laying of approximately five miles of main line pipe will not complete the town, but it will extend the system to many who are urgently in need of water, some of whom ap-

plied for such when the system was first installed, and who have been waiting patiently since.

We extend our appreciation to our superintendent, J. Edward Cox, who has performed his duties so conscientiously and faithfully. We also thank all of the townspeople who have assisted us during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE A. HARRIGAN

RICHARD H. SMITH

CARL G. RICKER

Water Commissioners.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE WATER BOARD

To the Board of Water Commissioners:

GENTLEMEN:

I herewith submit a report of the activities of the Water Department during the year ending December 31, 1947.

During the year 23 new services were added, requiring the laying of twelve hundred feet of 1 inch pipe; 7 services already installed were connected to the town system; 32 services remain unconnected to the town system.

All town and private hydrants have been inspected periodically and repairs and adjustments made where needed. All meters were inspected and necessary repairs made, 37 being completely overhauled.

Samples of water from the system have been sent to the State Health Department periodically for examination.

Regular inspections have been made of the pumping equipment. Daily records are kept of the amount of water pumped.

Each year shows an increase, eight million more gallons being pumped in 1947 than the previous year.

I sincerely appreciate the assistance rendered by the Water Commissioners and townspeople during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. EDWARD COX,
Superintendent.



GEORGE H. HARADEN

GEORGE H. HARADEN

George H. Haraden, the son of Andrew and Sarah (Gibney) Haraden, was born July 15, 1879 in Hamilton on the old Gibney Farm, a place occasionally visited by the late poet Longfellow and now the site of the famous Myopia Hunt Club, and died July 23, 1947, a lifelong resident of the town.

He had been janitor of the Town Hall from January 7, 1918, down to the date of his death. He had also served for many years as a member of the police and fire departments and had been caretaker of the cemetery and the town parks.

Familiarly called "Doc." by his host of friends and regarded by all as almost a part of the Town Hall itself, he was ever present at any Town Meeting or other assembly held at the Town Hall for the past quarter-century; and was a walking lexicon of information of town events during that period.

Of a genial and kindly disposition, he was ever ready to extend a helping hand whenever his services were needed and he will be sorely missed by all who have occasion to visit the Town Hall for any purpose. His daily weather predictions were almost a legend. His many good deeds will live long in the hearts of his legion of friends.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

To the Citizens of Hamilton:

The Selectmen herewith present their report covering the year 1947.

Under Chapter 90 Construction, that portion of Asbury Street extending to the Topsfield Town line, a distance of approximately $\frac{7}{8}$ of a mile, has been completed at a total cost of \$20,542., Hamilton's share of the cost was \$5,135.50 with the state and county paying the balance.

We are asking for an additional appropriation of \$1,500.00 under Chapter 90 Construction in 1948 to refinish a part of Essex Street. A similar amount was appropriated last year but it proved insufficient to cover the bid submitted to do the work.

We have carried out the wishes of the townspeople as expressed by their vote under Article 19 of the 1947 warrant, by making the necessary repairs and alterations to the Adelaide Dodge Walsh School building for the purpose of providing head-quarters for the Augustus P. Gardner Post #194 American Legion. The building was formally turned over to the Post on Armistice Day.

July 1st we had delivered to the town the new Seagraves 750 gallon pumper. This new addition to the fire department gives the town most efficient equipment for fire fighting purposes. After passing the Fire Underwriters' test it was placed into service and more than proved its worth at the Winthrop fire last fall.

Under the vote of the town to purchase and acquire a new combination cruiser and ambulance for the police department, the board visited the town of Weston where two such vehicles are in operation. From information gained by the visit to Weston the Board decided to purchase a car and have it converted for both cruiser and ambulance work. Three local people, all dealers in cars, were submitted specifications and asked to return bids to the Board. The Ipswich Motor Co. was the only bidder, and it was awarded the contract.

During the past summer the Water Board came before the Selectmen to warn us of the necessity of calling a special town-meeting to consider appropriating a sum of money to be used to increase the water supply and further develop the water system. Complying with their request we called the meeting for August 29th.

Three streets, Lake Drive, Adams Road and Margaret Road have been laid out and plans are now in file at the Town Clerk's office. We are asking that they be accepted at the coming Town Meeting.

During the past year George H. Haraden, for 30 years janitor and caretaker of the Town Hall passed on after a long illness. To take his place the Board appointed Lester Standley, a veteran of World War I, and well qualified to perform the duties.

It is necessary that we ask for a sum of money to cover painting the Town Hall on the outside this year. It has been several years since the building was last painted. Several places on the front and rear have been peeling and we feel that the work should be done in 1948.

We wish to call to your attention the present setup of the office arrangements in the Town Hall. We are not advocating that anything be done about it at this time but we do want you to bear in mind that something should be done before long. We should be aware that times are changing, that the town is growing and that the changes and growth have placed new demands upon the number of records to be kept and the paper work involved in keeping such records. At the present time many valuable records are being kept wherever a place can be found, on shelves, in closets or in desk drawers, hardly suitable places. The vault is far too small to take care of all of the things that should be placed in it and if a fire ever gets started these things would be a complete loss.

We have also tried to figure out a way that the present office arrangement might be rearranged so that more privacy could be maintained when one has business to transact with the Town Clerk, Selectmen, Assessors and so on. Many more people today find it necessary to go to the Town Hall on business and we feel that they are entitled to the full convenience of privacy.

We are happy to hear that Mr. Robert B. Walsh, our Town Counsel, is well on the road to recovery from his long illness and that only the severe winter has kept him from attending the regular meetings of the Board on Monday nights. However, he has kept in constant touch with the affairs of the town all during his illness and has rendered much valuable assistance to us during that time. We sincerely appreciate his valuable assistance.

To Francis Whipple, our busy clerk, and to all others who have aided us in any way during the past year we extend our grateful thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

LAWRENCE R. STONE

EDWARD A. DEWITT

EVERETT F. HALEY

Board of Selectmen.

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

ESSEX, ss. *To either of the Constables of the Town of Hamilton:*

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hamilton, qualified to vote in election and Town affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Monday, the first day of March, nineteen hundred and forty-eight (March 1, 1948), at seven-thirty o'clock in the evening (7.30 P. M.) then and there to act on the following articles, viz.

Article 1. To bring your ballots for:

- Moderator for one year.
- Town Clerk for one year.
- Three Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare for one year.
- Treasurer for one year.
- Tax Collector for one year.
- One Assessor for three years.
- One Highway Surveyor for one year.
- One Tree Warden for one year.
- Three Constables for one year.
- One Library Trustee for three years.
- One Park Commissioner for three years.
- One Cemetery Commissioner for three years.
- One Water Commissioner for three years.
- One member of the Planning Board for five years.

And vote on the following Question:—

Shall the provisions of section forty of chapter seventy-one of the General Laws, as amended, relative to equal pay for men and women teachers be in force in this town.

Yes.....No.....

The above named officers and question to be voted for on one ballot on Tuesday, the ninth day of March, 1948 (March 9, 1948). The polls will be opened at 5:45 o'clock A. M., and will close at 8:00 o'clock P. M.

Article 2. To choose and appoint all other Town Officers in such manner as the Town may determine.

Article 3. To hear the reports of the Town Officers and of the Finance and Advisory Committee and all other committees and take any action thereon.

Article 4. To raise and appropriate money for Schools, Highways, Essex County Retirement Board and all other Town expenses and determine the manner of expending the same.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account the sum of \$1500.00 for chapter 90 Highway Construction on Essex Street or take any action thereon.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account the sum of \$1000.00 for chapter 90 Maintenance or take any action thereon.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$1800.00 from the Cemetery Sale of Lots and Graves Fund to a Special Cemetery Account to be expended by the Cemetery Commissioners for improvements of the cemetery, or take any action thereon.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account the sum of \$10,000.00 for the purpose of making alterations in the Jonathan Lamson School building on Railroad Avenue, consisting of an emergency exit in the cafeteria to the yard, certain rewiring work, fireproofing, installation of a sprinkler system at strategic points and/or other necessary alterations, or take any other action thereon, as petitioned for by Richard Preston and others.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account the sum of \$2000.00 to continue the building of a hot-top sidewalk on the northeasterly side of Asbury Street, beginning at the end of the existing hot-top construction and extending toward Main Street or take any action thereon.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account a sum of money to build a hot-top sidewalk on the southeasterly side of Union Street from Asbury Street to Mill Street or take any action thereon.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account a sum of money for the purpose of building a hot-top sidewalk on the southwesterly side of Pleasant Street from Willow Street to Elliott Street or take any action thereon.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account the sum of \$10,000.00 to build a Municipal Garage of cement blocks on the town property in the rear of the Town Hall for use by the Highway Department for the storage of it's motor vehicles, material and it's other equipment, or take any action thereon.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from the Excess and Deficiency Account, a sum of money for the state and county share of Chapter 90 Highway maintenance and construction.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to receive the report of the General George S. Patton, Jr., Memorial Committee printed in the annual Town Report as a report of progress, to continue in office the present committee for the purposes therein set forth, or take any action thereon.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to have the Assessors publish a Valuation List and Poll, Personal Property and Real Estate Taxes of the Town of Hamilton in the year 1950 and every fifth year following thereafter or take any action thereon.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to rescind section 6 of chapter II. of the Town By-laws, providing that "fifty legal voters shall constitute a quorum at all town meetings" and substitute the following; "Section 6. One hundred legal voters shall constitute a quorum at all town meeting."

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote, subject to compliance by the selectmen with the provisions of section 81 I. of chapter 41 of the General Laws as enacted under chapter 340 of the Acts and Resolves of 1947, to accept the proposed layout as a public way by the selectmen of Lake Road, so-called, situated in East Hamilton, all substantially as shown on a plan entitled "Plan of Lake Road, Hamilton, Mass., dated November 1947. Charles H. Morse, Eng. Haverhill, Mass." now on file in the office of the Town Clerk of Hamilton, or take any action thereon.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote, subject to compliance by the selectmen with the provisions of section 81 I. of chapter 41 of the General Laws as enacted under chapter 340 of the Acts and Resolves of 1947, to accept the proposed layout as a public way by the selectmen of Margaret Road, so-called, as shown on a plan entitled "Plan of Margaret Road, Hamilton, Mass., for acceptance, Scales as Noted, dated December 1947" now on file in the office of the Town Clerk of Hamilton, or take any action thereon.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote, subject to compliance by the selectmen with the provisions of section 81 I. of chapter 41 of the General Laws as enacted under chapter 340 of the Acts and Resolves of 1947, to accept the proposed layout by the selectmen of Adams Road, so-called, from Baker Avenue to Central Avenue as shown on a plan entitled "Plan of Adams and Gifford Road, Hamilton, Mass., for acceptance, dated November 1941, Morse, Dickinson and Goodwin Eng'rs., Haverhill, Mass., now on file in the office of the Town Clerk of Hamilton, or take any action thereon.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to adopt a by-law relative to the parking of vehicles, that no person shall park a vehicle longer than one hour at any time between the hours of 9 A. M. and 6 P. M. of any day except Sunday and holidays on Railroad Avenue between Main Street and Willow Street and on Main Street between the Wenham line and Walnut

Road, to provide for the erection of warning signs or signals at dangerous points in the town, to define the powers of the police, to fix the penalties to be imposed for violations of the provisions of the by-law and to make rules and regulations relative to the use of motor vehicles and their traffic upon the streets and highways of the Town of Hamilton or take any action thereon.

Article 21. To see if the town will vote that the custody, care, supervision and maintenance of the Dorothy Winthrop Memorial Lot be vested in the School Committee with all the powers and duties incident thereto, or take any action thereon.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to include in a ballot to be voted on at the adjourned session of the town meeting to be held March 9, 1948, the following question; "Shall the Town vote to adopt a proposed zoning by-law and map originally establishing the boundaries of zoning districts in the Town of Hamilton and regulations and restrictions to be enforced therein, as recommended by the Planning Board, copies of which are filed with the Town Clerk" or to take any action thereon.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1949 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a shorter period than one year, in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws and Amendments thereto.

Article 24. To see if the Town will Authorize the Collector to use all means of collecting taxes which as Town Treasurer, when appointed Collector, may use agreeable to Chapter 41, Section 37, General Laws and Amendments thereto.

Article 25. To act on any other matter that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the Town Hall, and one at each of the three postoffices in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this 26th day of January, A. D. 1948.

LAWRENCE R. STONE
EDWARD A. DEWITT
EVERETT F. HALEY

Selectmen of Hamilton.

A true copy, Attest:

FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE,
Town Clerk.

REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FINANCE AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE

To the Voters of Hamilton:

The budget recommended by your Finance Committee for the year 1948 is \$281,743.77, which is \$35,169.00 higher than the amount appropriated for 1947. This total includes \$20,000.00 to be taken from the Excess and Deficiency Fund. This rise the Committee considers unavoidable. All departments have cooperated in keeping their budgets at the minimum necessary to properly carry on their services to the Town. However, prices and expenses have continued to rise during the last year and there is no assurance of any change in this trend. This consequent increase in the size of the budget will cause the tax rate to rise approximately \$2.00. It is estimated this increase would have been larger by approximately \$4.00 had not the estimated receipts from sources other than Real Estate Taxes increased by some \$21,000.00.

It is still the opinion of the Committee, as outlined in the reports of last year, and of previous years, that the Revenue Surplus Account (Excess and Deficiency Fund) should be regarded as a cushion against a time when a substantial shrinkage in revenue, accompanied by a sharp increase in Welfare costs, may require a further considerable increase in the tax rate. But it also feels that if this account is to be drawn on in the current period of high revenue return, the amount so drawn should be used only for permanent capital improvements of lasting use and value to the town.

During the coming year it is hoped that the people of the Town will be constantly vigilant regarding the finances of the Town, and will make a point of attending any special Town meetings in which financial matters of the Town are to be decided. All the recommendations of the Finance Committee are based on the principle that only those services should be carried on, and only those projects constructed that are to the best interests of the Town as a whole, and not for the benefit of any person or close group of persons.

The Committee appreciates the cooperation of the various departments which, for the most part, made their budget requests available to the Committee promptly and in clear and brief form and endeavored to keep expenditures to a minimum; and they particularly appreciate the spirit of the public service demonstrated by the employees of the Town.

The Committee has taken the view that there should be no salary increases for the year 1948. This position is based on the fact that substantial increases have been granted over the past several years in all departments, bringing salaries, in the opinion of the Committee, to amounts adequate to today's high costs and yet consistent with the financial position of the town and its inhabitants. Accordingly, the budget figures the Committee recommends include no salary increases other than those made necessary by action taken in 1947, the full incidence of which becomes apparent only now. The several officers and department heads have considered the matter of such increases with the Committee and except in one

instance have finally concurred with its opinion. In the case of the single exception, the Committee, though recognizing the energetic and faithful performance of duty by the employee involved, (characteristic, we should add, on the whole, of the work of all the employees of the town) recommends that no increase be granted. It does so because the salary involved has increased since 1945 from \$2050 to \$2600 (an increase of about 25%) and because it feels no single exception should be made to a doctrine acceptable to the other departments. The apparent increase in the salary of the town accountant is offset by an equal reduction in his salary as town clerk.

The substantial increase in the total budget recommended is due largely to commitments already voted by the town or to considerations which the Committee considered made increases imperative. Among the former was the sum of over \$19,000.00 for maturing debt. This resulted first from the fact that the \$10,000.00 so applied in 1947 was taken from Excess and Deficiency, and second from the action of the Special Town Meeting of August 29, 1947, at which a bond issue of \$152,000.00 was authorized. Interest charges also increased about \$1,900.00 as a consequence of this action. The increases referred to above in the school salaries voted at the Annual Meeting of 1947 and effective in September, and a sharp increase in the cost of transportation, together resulted in an increase of slightly more than \$6,000.00 in the school department regular item for salaries and expenses. The item of \$1,500.00 for maintenance of the Legion quarters in the Walsh School is recommended to complete and make effective the large appropriation of 1947; the Committee understands that this will not be a recurring item and recommends its adoption on this basis.

The Committee, after conference with the Selectmen, the Town Clerk and Accountant and the heads of departments which require clerical help, have recommended that a permanent clerk be engaged as a clerical assistant to the town clerk. This is made necessary by the greatly increased burden of routine clerical work, and personal contacts imposed on him. In addition, such an arrangement will provide assurance of continuous attendance to the town business in the event of the enforced absence of the clerk either by reason of illness or the transaction of business of the town elsewhere, and will tend to center the town's business, where the Committee feels it should be centered, in the Town Hall. Certain clerical aspects of the duties of the selectmen, and the assessors, will also be handled by such an assistant, and the Committee understands, in another year like details of the work of the Water Department will be added. Funds for the salary of such a clerk are to be provided from appropriations for clerical help now a part of the budgets of the officers and departments involved.

There are several special articles in the Warrant asking for the outlay of money. In so far as the Committee recommends their apotion, it recommends that the funds for Articles 8 and 12 be provided from the Excess and Deficiency Fund. The Committee regrets the necessity of such further depletion of an Excess and Deficiency Fund already reduced below an amount it considers adequate for the real purpose of such a fund. The Committee concluded, however, that if these expenditures were to be made, they were of a nature requiring that the funds be taken from the Excess and Deficiency Fund.

Articles 5 and 6 — Chapter 90 Construction and Maintenance

The Committee recommends the adoption of Articles 5 and 6 and that the funds be provided from the tax levy.

Article 8 — Lamson School

The Committee believes that all necessary steps should be taken to assure the safety of the children in the Lamson School in case of fire. They however feel that the necessary alterations can be made to the Lamson School at a figure far below the \$10,000.00 requested in the Warrant. After consultation with the School Committee they are of the opinion that the School Committee figure and approach to the problem will be modified.

The Finance Committee does not feel that the ultimate consideration, namely, the safety of the occupants of the School, will necessarily be served, in view of all the circumstances, by the installation of a sprinkler system.

Articles 9, 10, 11 — Hot Top Sidewalks

The Committee recommends the extension of the hot top sidewalk now existing on Asbury Street in the direction of Main Street, as far as \$2,000.00 will carry it. It recommends that other proposals for the installation of hot top sidewalks be not adopted. It considers that such installation at individual locations, unrelated to existing walks, is not in the interest of the Town as a whole. It considers that the objective with regard to such walks ought to be an integrated system on the basis of the use of the several streets and the installation of walks on one side of such streets before two sides are considered.

Article 12 — Garage for the Highway Department

The Committee is of the opinion that it is not to the best interests of the Town to construct a \$10,000.00 garage for the Highway Department alone. Although it is widely agreed that from a financial point of view this is a poor time to undertake major construction, there is a definite need for an adequate housing and a workshop for the Water Department, and Tree and Moth Departments as well as the Highway Department. It will be far more economical for the town to build one building adequate to care for all public service equipment, rather than to construct one for the Highway Department this year, and then next year, or in some subsequent years, to build a building for the Moth Department and then one for the Water Department, each with its own facilities and heating plants. Therefore, it is recommended that the town vote to appropriate \$15,000 for the construction of a public works building; to authorize the selectmen to have drawn the necessary plans and specifications; and to enter a proper contract for such a building if in their opinion such plans and specifications show that a building consonant with the appearance of the Town property and adequate for the purposes of all three departments can be built for that sum.

Article 1 — Equal Pay for Teachers

In addition, the town is asked to vote on the acceptance or rejection of Section 40, Chapter 71 of the General Laws as amended. The Committee is of the opinion, and has so advised the School Committee, that the

acceptance of this Section as amended will not necessarily result in any change in the salaries in the school system. The Section nows read as follows:

"The compensation of every teacher employed in any public day school in the commonwealth, except persons in training and those employed as temporary substitutes, shall be at a rate of not less than one thousand dollars in towns of less than two million five hundred thousand dollars valuation for the fiscal year preceding and in all other towns at a rate of not less than twelve hundred dollars for the school year in that school. Women teachers employed in the same grades and doing the same type of work with the same preparation and training as men teachers shall be paid at the same rate as men teachers. Such equal pay shall not be effected by reducing the pay of men teachers. The provisions of this section relative to equal pay for men and women teachers shall be in force in any city or town which accepts or has accepted provisions relative to equal pay for men and women teachers in any manner from time to time provided by law."

This places on the School Committee and the Superintendent the duty of determining what women teachers, if any, are employed "in the same grades and doing the same type of work with the same preparation and training as men teachers." If none are, no action is required. If any are, they must be paid at the same rate as such men and, as appears, this cannot be brought about by reduction in the pay of men teachers.

RECOMMENDED BUDGET

The recommended budget, together with the actual appropriations for like purposes made in 1947, follows:

1948	1947	1948
	Appropriation	Recommended
GENERAL GOVERNMENT		
Moderator		
Finance and Advisory Committee		
Expenses	\$ 15 00	\$ 90 00
Selectmen, Salaries	1150 00	1150 00
Chairman	\$460 00	
Other Members	345 00 each	
Expenses	1450 00	1285 00
Wages—Clerk		700 00
Equipment, American Legion Grounds		150 00
Accountant—Salary	1700 00	1900 00
Expenses	135 00	200 00
Treasurer—Salary	1080 00	1080 00
Expenses	275 00	285 00
Tax Collector—Salary	1265 00	1265 00
Expenses	400 00	450 00
Transferred from Reserve	(17 68)	

1948		1947	1948	1947	1948
Assessors—Salaries				Appropriation	Recommended
Chairman		1947	1948	975 00	975 00
		<u>\$425 00</u>	<u>\$365 00</u>		
Other					
Members		275 00 each	305 00 each		
Wages				1040 00	1040 00
Expenses				1090 00	265 00
Law—Salary				700 00	700 00
Town Clerk—Salary				1000 00	800 00
Expenses				325 00	225 00
Election and Registration				900 00	1600 00
Town Hall—Salary				1400 00	2184 00
Expenses				1300 00	1216 00
Special—Repairs and Painting					2000 00
Retirement Fund					1649 12
Expenses					91 50
PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY					
Police—Salary of Chief				2600 00	2600 00
Wages—Constables and Special Officers				3730 00	3600 00
Expenses				910 00	995 00
Special—Uniforms, Clothing and Badges					272 00
—First Aid Kit and Fire Extinguisher					30 00
Transfer from Reserve—(Expenses)				(188 23)	
Fire				3200 00	
Salaries and Wages					{1620 00
Equipment and Repairs					{ 800 00
Other Expenses					{1080 00
Special—New Hose				600 00	600 00
Transferred from Rserve				(777 56)	
Sealer of Weights and Measures—Salary				230 00	230 00
Expenses				100 00	100 00
Moth—Town—Salary of Superintendent				1216 00	1216 00
Wages				1150 00	1150 00
Expenses				802 00	735 00
Moth—Private Property—Salary of Supt.				432 00	432 00
Wages				418 00	378 00
Expenses				350 00	390 00
Tree Warden—Salary				768 00	768 00
Wages				864 00	864 00
Expenses				100 00	120 00
Forest Fire Warden—Salary				40 00	40 00
Expenses				40 00	40 00
HEALTH AND SANITATION					
Salaries				120 00	120 00
Chairman			\$60 00		
Other Members			30 00 each		

1948	1947 Appropriation	1948 Recommended
Wages	60 00	60 00
Milk Inspector—Salary		{ 75 00
Expenses	5620 00	} 6140 00
Dental Clinic—Salary of Dental Nurse	200 00	200 00
Expenses	2000 00	2000 00
Inspector of Animals—Salary	90 00	90 00
Expenses	50 00	50 00
HIGHWAYS		
Salary of Supt. and Surveyor	2800 00	2800 00
Wages of Truck Drivers and Helpers	7944 00	8551 00
Labor and Expenses	7868 40	6490 00
Sidewalk Roller		2375 00
Chapter 90—Maintenance	(1000 00)	(1000 00)
Chapter 90—Construction	(3125 00)	(1500 00)
Snow Removal and Sanding	5500 00	10000 00
Transfer from Reserve	(206 18)	
Street Lighting	7500 00	7000 00
CHARITIES		
Public Welfare—Salaries	120 00	120 00
Chairman	\$60 00	
Other Members	30 00 each	
Wages	60 00	60 00
Expenses	5320 00	6320 00
Old Age Assistance	14000 00	15000 00
Old Age—Administration	1000 00	1000 00
Wages—Clerk		500 00
Aid to Dependent Children	1200 00	1000 00
Aid to Dependent Children— Administration and Salary	25 00	25 00
Veterans' Benefits	700 00	1000 00
EDUCATION		
Schools—Salaries and Expenses	*78668 70	**85530 23
High School—Specials		
Vocational	500 00	500 00
Cafeteria—High School	#2270 82	} 3500 00
Cafeteria High School—Art. 11 in Warrant (1229 18)		
Gym Floor (Maintenance)	95 00	150 00
Commercial Dept.—Equipment	455 00	300 00
Leakage Repairs	100 00	100 00
Heating System		
Low Water Cut Out		
Vacuum System Repairs	40 00	217 00
Tile in Gym	125 00	
New Machinery	45 00	
100 Chairs for Gym		245 00
30 Desks and Chairs—Room 12		500 00
Winthrop Park Maintenance (Art. 21 in Warrant)		(250 00)

1948	1947 Appropriation	1948 Recommended
Lamson School—Specials		
Elementary—Additional Teacher		850 00
Cafeteria	3500 00	3500 00
Cafeteria Equipment	72 00	
Cafeteria Equipment—Electric Water Heater		300 00
Painting Repair—Exterior		500 00
Painting—Basement	1000 00	
Libraries—Salaries	975 00	975 00
Main Library	\$600 00	
Branch Library	375 00	
Wages	35 00	35 00
Expenses	1645 00	1800 00
RECREATION		
Parks—Salary of Supt.	2250 00	2288 00
—Salary of Instructors	450 00	495 00
—Labor		480 00
—Expenses	1645 00	1026 00
—Specials		
Power Mower Extras	324 00	
Baseball field	1000 00	
Baseball Backstop	600 00	
Baseball Field Bases, Plate and Bench	65 00	
Electrical Work	275 00	
Engineering	300 00	
Concrete Drain, Labor and Material	200 00	
Hose	293 00	
PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISE		
Water Department—Salary of Supt.	2600 00	2600 00
—Salary of Clerk	500 00	500 00
—Extra Labor		{1800 00
—Expenses	6655 00	{6170 00
Transfer from Reserve	292 90	
Special—Gardner Street	450 00	
—Engineering and Testing Wells	1000 00	
—Chestnut Street }		
—Hatfield Road }		800 00
Cemetery—Salaries of Commissioners	75 00	75 00
Chairman & Other Members \$25 00 each		
Clerk—Salary	100 00	100 00
Wages and Expenses	2000 00	2000 00
UNCLASSIFIED		
Town Reports	767 70	800 00
Town Clock—Care	100 00	100 00
Memorial Day	450 00	450 00
Transfer from Reserve	(103 61)	
American Legion	300 00	1500 00
Insurance	1200 00	1300 00

1948	1947	1948
	Appropriation	Recommended
Planning Board Expenses	500 00	500 00
Finance Committee—		
Reserve Fund for Emergencies	2000 00	1500 00
Maturing Debt	(10000 00)	19716 67
Plus Bond Issue Premium		
(Applied to Maturing Debt)		(1283 33)
Interest	1510 00	3466 25
Total of above items from Tax Levy	\$213,638 62	\$257,005 78
Special Articles in Warrant (Tax Levy)	22,935 50	est. 4,750 00
Special Articles in Warrant (Available Funds)	10,000 00	20,000 00
Total	\$246,574 12	\$281,755 78
* Plus Dog Tax	\$440 27	
** Plus Dog Tax	\$555 77	
# Plus Art. 11 in Warrant	\$1,229 18	
() Indicates not in above Tax Levy Total.		

We recommend that the Water Bond Issue premium be applied to maturing debt as indicated in the budget figures.

We recommend the adoption of Article 21 in the Warrant, the appropriation to come from the tax levy as indicated in the budget figures.

The added sum of \$75.00 in the request of the Finance Committee is for the purchase of a filing cabinet to be placed in the Town Hall, for the safe and convenient storage of the papers of the Committee: Since the Committee's requirements are small, a considerable part of this cabinet will also be available for the purposes of the Town Clerk and Accountant.

Respectfully submitted,

THEODORE A. HOLLAND, Chairman
 JOHN KING
 FREDERIC WINTHROP, JR.
 JOHN E. HARTNETT, JR.
 ALBERT L. RIDER

PROPOSED BY-LAW RELATIVE TO THE PARKING OF VEHICLES ON RAILROAD AVENUE AND MAIN STREET, AND RULES AND REGULATIONS RELATIVE TO TRAFFIC UPON THE STREETS OF HAMILTON, TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING OF 1948, UNDER ARTICLE 20 OF THE WARRANT.

SECTION 1

Definitions

For the purpose of this by-law, the words and phrases used herein shall have the following meanings except in those instances where the context clearly indicates a different meaning.

(a) "*Street or Highway.*" The entire width between property lines of every way open to the use of the public for purposes of travel.

(b) "*Vehicle.*" Every device in, upon or by which any person or property is or may be transported or drawn upon a street or highway, except devices moved by human power or used exclusively upon stationary rails or tracks.

(c) "*Emergency Vehicle.*" Vehicles of the Fire Department (Fire Patrol), police vehicles, ambulances and emergency vehicles of federal, state and municipal departments or public service corporations when the latter are responding to an emergency in relation to the police or fire departments.

(d) "*Parking.*" The standing of a vehicle, whether occupied or not, otherwise than temporarily for the purpose of and while actually engaged in loading or unloading, or in obedience to an officer or traffic signs or signals, or while making emergency repairs, or, if disabled, while arrangements are being made to move such vehicle.

(e) "*Crosswalk.*" That portion of a roadway ordinarily included within the prolongation or connection of curb lines and property lines at intersections, or at any portion of a roadway clearly indicated for pedestrian crossing by lines on the road surface or by other markings or signs.

(f) "*Railroad Crossing.*" Any intersection of ways with a railroad right-of-way.

(g) "*Official Traffic Signs.*" All signs, markings and devices, other than signals, not inconsistent with this by-law, and which conform to the standards prescribed by the Department of Public Works of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and placed or erected by authority of a public body or official having jurisdiction, for the purpose of guiding, directing warning or regulating traffic.

(h) "*Officer.*" For the purpose of this by-law an officer shall be construed to mean any officer, any investigator, examiner or inspector of the Registry of Motor Vehicles, any constable or special officer, provided he has his badge of office displayed over his left breast and upon his outer garment.

(i) "*Official Curb Marking.*" That portion of a curbing, the painting of which has been authorized by the chief of police and which has the written approval of the Department of Public Works of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

(j) *"Official Street Marking."* Any painted line, legend, marking or marker of any description painted or placed upon any way which purports to direct or regulate traffic and which has been authorized by the chief of police and which has the written approval of the Department of Public Works of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

(k) *"Sidewalk."* That portion of a street or highway set aside for pedestrian travel, whether or not bounded by a curbing.

(l) *"Bus Stop."* An area in the roadway set aside for the berthing or parking of busses.

SECTION 2

Authority and Duties of Police

(a) *Officers to Direct Traffic.* It shall be the duty of officers designated by the chief of police to enforce the provisions of this by-law. Such officers are hereby authorized to direct all traffic either in person or by means of visible or audible signals in conformance with the provisions of this by-law, provided that in the event of a fire or other emergency to expedite traffic or safeguard pedestrians, officers of the police or fire departments may direct traffic, as conditions may require, notwithstanding the provisions of this by-law.

(b) *Obedience to Police.* Drivers of vehicles shall comply with any lawful or reasonable order, signal or direction of any police officer.

(c) *Police May Close Streets Temporarily.* The chief of police is hereby authorized to close temporarily any street or highway in an impending or existing emergency, or for any lawful assemblage, demonstration, procession or funeral provided there is reasonable justification for the closing of such street.

(d) *Police May Prohibit Parking Temporarily.* The chief of police is hereby authorized to prohibit, temporarily, parking on any street or highway or part thereof in an impending or existing emergency, or for a lawful assemblage, demonstration, procession or funeral provided there is reasonable justification for such prohibition. Vehicles parked in places where parking is prohibited temporarily may be moved by or under the direction of an officer.

(e) *Exemptions.* The provisions of this by-law shall not apply to operators actually engaged in work upon a street or highway closed to travel or under construction or repair, to officers when engaged in the performance of public duties nor to drivers of emergency vehicles while operating in an emergency and in performance of public duties when the nature of the work of any of these necessitates a departure from any part of this by-law. These exemptions shall not, however, protect the driver of any vehicle from the consequences of a reckless disregard of the safety of others.

SECTION 3

Traffic Signs, Signals and Markings

(a) The Highway Surveyor is hereby authorized, and as to those signs and signals required hereunder it shall be his duty, to place and

maintain or cause to be placed and maintained all official traffic signs, signals, and markings. All signs, signals and markings shall conform to the standards as prescribed by the Department of Public Works of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

(b) *Obedience to Traffic Signs and Signals.* No driver of any vehicle shall disobey the instructions of any official traffic control signal, sign, marking, marker or legend, unless otherwise directed by a police officer.

SECTION 4

Parking

(a) *General Prohibitions.* No person shall park a vehicle in any of the following places and vehicles found parked in violation of the provisions of this section may be moved by or under the direction of a police officer and at the expense of the owner to a place where parking is permitted:

1. Within an intersection.
2. Upon any sidewalk.
3. Upon any crosswalk.
4. Upon any roadway where the parking of a vehicle will not leave a clear and unobstructed lane at least ten (10) feet wide for passing traffic.
5. Upon any street or highway within ten (10) feet of a fire hydrant.
6. Upon any street or highway within twenty (20) feet of an intersecting way, except alleys.

SECTION 5

Parking Prohibited on Certain Streets

(a) Upon the following streets or highways or parts thereof parking is hereby prohibited, except on Sunday or holidays:

1. On either side of Railroad avenue between Main street and Willow street for longer than a period of one hour between the hours of 9 a. m. and 6 p. m.
2. On either side of Main street between the Wenham line and Walnut road for longer than a period of one hour between the hours of 9 a. m. and 6 p. m.
3. No person shall park a vehicle other than a bus in a bus stop.

SECTION 6

Obedience to Isolated Stop Signs

(a) Every driver of a vehicle, railway car or other conveyance, approaching an intersection of ways where there exists facing him an official sign, bearing the word "stop" and authorized by this section, said sign having, apart from this regulation, the written approval of the Department of Public Works of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and such

approval being in effect, shall, before proceeding through the intersection, bring such vehicle, bus or other conveyance to a complete stop at such point as may be clearly marked by a sign or line, or if a point is not so marked, then at a place between the said "stop" sign and the nearer line of the street intersection. In the case of a line of two or more vehicles approaching such "stop" sign, the drivers of the second and third vehicles in line in any group shall not be required to stop more than once before proceeding through the intersection. This section shall not apply when the traffic is otherwise directed by an officer or by a lawful traffic regulating sign, signal or device.

In accordance with the foregoing the erection and maintenance of an official "stop" sign or signs are authorized so as to face:

1. North and southbound drivers on Woodbury street at Essex street.
2. Southeast bound drivers on Asbury street at Highland avenue.
3. Northbound drivers on Willow street at Asbury street.

SECTION 7

Penalty

(a) Any person, after first having received a warning that he is violating any provision of this by-law, shall be punished by a fine of not more than one (\$1.00) dollar for the second offense, not more than two (\$2.00) dollars for the third offense, not more than three (\$3.00) dollars for the fourth offense and not more than twenty (\$20.00) dollars for any subsequent offense of a like nature committed during any period of one year.

SECTION 8

Repeal

(a) The provisions of any existing motor vehicle and traffic by-law passed by the Town of Hamilton are hereby repealed, and any other by-law or parts thereof in conflict with or inconsistent with any provision of this by-law are hereby repealed, except that this repeal shall not effect or prevent the prosecution or punishment of any person for any act done or committed in violation of any by-law hereby repealed, prior to the taking effect of this by-law or affect the present by-law relative to the parking or operation of bicycles on sidewalks of the town.

The invalidity of any section or provision of this by-law shall not invalidate any other section or provision thereof.

This article shall be in effect only after its approval by the attorney-general of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Department of Public Works of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and publication in a newspaper published in Essex County.

REPORT

of the

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

1947

REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Citizens of Hamilton:

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 41, of the General Laws, I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1947, showing the amount and source of all receipts, the amount of appropriations and expenditures therefrom, the purpose for which money was spent, town indebtedness and condition of trust funds.

Although the law provides that such statement shall be in accordance with classifications prescribed by the director of accounts, I have further extended the classification of expenditures to make such information readily available to those who desire it. Any additional information will be gladly given to all residents of the town upon calling at the office.

I extend my sincere appreciation to the town officials and the citizens of Hamilton for their assistance and cooperation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS H. WHIPPLE,

Town Accountant.

RECEIPTS

TAXES

Previous Year:

Personal	\$506 15
Real Estate	9,192 32
Motor Vehicle Excise	318 92

 10,017 39

Current Year:

Poll	1,138 00
Personal	17,710 95
Real Estate	150,672 51
Motor Vehicle Excise	7,530 79

 177,052 25

LICENSES

Alcoholic Beverages

Package Goods Store (3)	450 00
Restaurant—All Alcoholic (2)	700 00
Club—All alcoholic (1)	350 00

Common Victulars

8 00

Lord's Day

18 00

Ice Cream

5 00

Oleomargarine

2 00

Refreshment

2 00

Peddler

2 00

Junk Collector

20 00

Taxi

2 00

Auto Dealer, 1st Class

2 00

Auto Dealer, 2nd Class

6 00

Revolver

24 50

Milk—Store

7 50

Milk—Vehicle

5 00

 1,604 00

GRANTS AND GIFTS

From State:

Corporation Tax	10,796 35
Income Tax	28,000 57
Highway Fund Dist.	5,355 37
State Owned Lands	2,173 80
Old Age Meals Tax	647 90
Vocational Education	21 08
Aid to Highways (Chap. 90)	9,892 08

 56,887 15

From County:

Dog License Refund	440 27
Aid to Highways (Chap. 90)	4,946 03

 5,386 30

Carried forward

 \$250,947 09

Brought forward

\$250,947 09

SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

Moth

1946 Assessment	156 30	
1947 Assessment	850 15	
	<hr/>	1,006 45

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Sealer Fees	28 95	
	<hr/>	28 95

HEALTH

Reimbursement by Individuals	547 50	
State Subsidy	173 57	
Dental Clinic	357 85	
	<hr/>	1,078 92

PUBLIC WELFARE

Temporary Aid		
From Towns and Cities	310 00	
	<hr/>	310 00
Old Age Assistance		
From State	8,695 22	
From Town and Cities	71 61	
	<hr/>	8,766 83
Aid to Dependent Children		
From State	626 42	
	<hr/>	626 42
Federal Grants		
Old Age Assistance	10,282 29	
Old Age Administration	353 21	
Aid to Dependent Children	529 63	
Aid to Dependent Children Admin.	29 33	
	<hr/>	11,194 46

VETERAN'S BENEFITS

From State—State Aid	120 00	
From Town and Cities	30 00	
	<hr/>	150 00

SCHOOLS

Tuition	285 50	
Cafeteria—High	2,198 55	
Cafeteria—Lamson	3,313 35	
Manual Training	59 64	
	<hr/>	5,857 04

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Fines	8 61	
	<hr/>	8 61

Carried forward

\$279,974 77

Brought forward

\$279,974 77

WATER DEPARTMENT

Meter Rates	11,220 42	
Services	484 47	
	<hr/>	11,704 89

CEMETERY

Sale of Lots and Graves	425 00	
Care of Lots and Graves	360 75	
Interments	199 00	
Care of Endowed Lots	332 00	
Withdrawn from Sale of Lots Fund	300 00	
	<hr/>	1,616 75

INTEREST AND COSTS

On Taxes and Assessments	238 69	
Poll Demands	19 95	
	<hr/>	258 64

REFUNDS

Departmental	53 55	
Recording Fees	3 00	
	<hr/>	56 55

AGENCY AND TRUST

Cemetery Perpetual Care	837 00	
Withholding Tax	8,739 58	
Dog Licenses for County	682 20	
	<hr/>	10,258 78

MISCELLANEOUS

Insurance—Park Cannon Damage	89 70	
Insurance—Highway Fence Damage	33 54	
Bid Deposit	500 00	
Sale of Water Bonds—Reservoir	33,000 00	
Sale of Water Bonds—		
Laying Mains	119,000 00	
Premium on Water Bonds	1,730 03	
Accrued Interest on Water Bonds	131 98	
	<hr/>	154,485 25

Total Receipts 1947	\$458,355 63
Balance, Cash January 1, 1947	70,510 88
	<hr/>
	\$528,866 51

EXPENDITURES

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

SELECTMEN

Salaries and Wages:

Lawrence R. Stone	\$436 05	
Edward A. DeWitt	368 95	
Everett F. Haley	345 00	
Francis H. Whipple, Clerk	60 00	
Jessie Cunningham, Clerk	420 00	
		<hr/>
		1,630 00

Expenses:

Printing, Postage, Supplies	77 53	
Law Books	81 90	
Directory	13 50	
Association Dues	31 00	
Recording Fees	9 19	
Publishing By-Laws	18 75	
Association Meeting Expenses	22 50	
Surveying	619 67	
Decorating Christmas Tree	25 00	
		<hr/>
		899 04
		<hr/>
		2,529 04

ACCOUNTING

Salary:

Francis H. Whipple, Accountant	1,700 00	1,700 00
--------------------------------	----------	----------

Expenses:

Supplies, Forms, Postage	99 31	
Association Dues	12 00	
Adding Machine repairs & service	23 40	
		<hr/>
		134 71
		<hr/>
		1,834 71

TREASURY

Salary:

Walfred B. Sellman, Treasurer	1,080 00	1,080 00
-------------------------------	----------	----------

Expenses:

Surety Bond	112 00	
Adding Machine Exchange	108 95	
Postage and Supplies	29 50	
Typewriter Repairs	18 50	
Association Dues	1 00	
		<hr/>
		269 95
		<hr/>
		1,349 95

Carried forward

\$5,713 70

Brought forward

\$5,713 70

COLLECTOR

Salary:

Bertha L. Crowell, Collector	1,265 00	1,265 00
------------------------------	----------	----------

Expenses:

Printing, Postage, Supplies	212 83
Surety Bond	118 25
Burglary Insurance	35 00
Deputy Collector's Bond	5 00
Deputy Collector's Fees	7 50
Typewriter Repairs	38 10
Association Dues	1 00

 417 68

 1,682 68

ASSESSORS

Salaries:

Jesse S. Mann	425 00
Robert H. Chittick	275 00
Donald G. Trussell	275 00

 975 00

Outside Assessing:

Jesse S. Mann	155 25
Robert H. Chittick	138 00
Donald G. Trussell	155 25

 448 50

Clerical Work:

Jesse S. Mann	149 50
Robert H. Chittick	126 50
Donald G. Trussell	115 00
Bertha L. Crowell	185 41

 576 41

Expenses:

Transportation	125 00
Forms, Supplies, Postage	114 64
Abstracts	76 38
Association Dues and Expenses	27 00
Typewriter Exchange	147 88
Printing Valuation Book	500 00
Clerical Work, Valuation Book	66 50

 1,057 40

 3,057 31

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Association Dues	10 00
Clerical Work	5 00

 15 00

 15 00

Carried forward

 \$10,468 69

Brought forward

\$10,468 69

LAW DEPARTMENT

Salary:

Robert B. Walsh, Town Counsel	700 00	700 00
-------------------------------	--------	--------

TOWN CLERK

Salary:

Francis H. Whipple, Town Clerk	1,000 00	1,000 00
--------------------------------	----------	----------

Expenses:

Postage and Supplies	109 89	
Abstracts and Recordings	48 00	
Typewriter Exchange	144 25	
Association Dues and Expenses	17 50	
Surety Bond	5 00	
	<hr/>	324 64

1,324 64

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Salaries—Registrars of Voters

Frank W. Buzzell	60 00	
David Q. Greeley	60 00	
Francis M. Burns	14 62	
Jessie W. Cunningham	45 38	
Francis H. Whipple	60 00	
	<hr/>	240 00

Expenses:

Annual Listing	178 30	
Election Officers	178 00	
Food	66 94	
Printing, Supplies, Postage	142 60	
Clerical Work	25 00	
	<hr/>	590 84

830 84

TOWN HALL

Salary—Janitor:

George H. Haraden	777 10	
Lester F. Stanley	620 00	
	<hr/>	1,397 10

Expenses:

Coal	393 60
Electric Current	207 10
Gas (auxiliary lighting)	6 52
Telephone	128 42
Janitors Supplies	38 28
Stoker Repairs	11 65

Carried forward

\$13,324 17

Brought forward

\$13,324 17

Electrical Repairs	173 48
Carpentering and Painting	82 99
Water Rates	17 00
Cleaning Stage Curtains	30 00
Express	3 00
P. O. Box Rent	1 35
Keys	4 75
Plumbing Repairs	4 22
Clock	20 60
Labor on Grounds	164 00
Loan	3 75
Tile Pipe	2 40
Stone Dust	8 71

 1,301 82

 2,698 92

TOWN HALL SPECIAL

Rebuilding Front Steps—

Welch & Lamson, Inc. Contract 348 00

348 00

POLICE

Salary and Wages:

Edward Frederick, Chief	2,600 00
Charles F. Poole	875 00
Barkley W. Tree	847 00
John S. Sargent	499 50
Hugh C. Wentworth	592 10
John C. Back	175 00
Hugh E. Duran	109 90
Henry J. Cowdrey	102 40
William J. Bouchard	165 80
Henry C. Jackson, Jr.	65 10
Other Officers	88 50

 6,070 30

Dog Officer:

Frederick R. Johnson, Salary 50 00 50 00

Expenses:

Telephone	120 64
Electric Current	25 22
Fuel Oil	52 10
Supplies and Equipment	103 09
Matrons Services	7 20
Rent	223 35
Confining Dogs	20 00

Carried forward

 \$16,371 09

Brought forward			\$16,371 09
Transportation	440 00		
Gas, Oil, Cruiser Maintenance	106 63		
	<hr/>	1,098 23	
		<hr/>	7,218 53
AMBULANCE — CRUISER PURCHASE			
Ipswich Motor Co.			
Car and Equipment	1,318 81		
McNear Body Co.			
Ambulance Equipment	238 50		
American Fire Equipment Co.			
Equipment	40 00		
	<hr/>	1,597 31	
		<hr/>	1,597 31
FIRE			
Salary and Wages:			
Firemen	1,569 34		
Drivers	192 50		
Care of Alarm and Equipment	200 00		
Janitor	200 00		
Clerk	50 00		
	<hr/>	2,211 84	
Expenses:			
Gas, Oil, Repairs and Apparatus	178 93		
Insurance	207 69		
Equipment and Supplies	700 65		
Coal	147 20		
Water Rates	17 00		
Domestic Gas	7 95		
Electric Current	75 13		
Telephone	119 10		
Heating Repairs	56 08		
Hot Top Ramp	122 10		
Install Box at Tel. Office	89 36		
Chairs	44 53		
	<hr/>	1,765 72	
		<hr/>	3,977 56
FIRE SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS			
Engine House Alterations:			
Finlay D. MacDonald, Contract	2,517 00		
Finlay D. MacDonald,			
Carpentering	52 13		
Jesse Brown, Electrical Work	154 45		
Harold Dodd,			
Plumbing and Heating	216 42		
	<hr/>	2,940 00	
Carried forward			\$29,164 49

Brought forward			\$29,164 49
Pump Purchase:			
The Seagrave Corp., Contract	9,498 65		
Extra Equipment	487 56		
		9,986 21	
New Hose:			
Bi Laternd Hose Co., Hose		600 00	
			13,526 21
FOREST WARDEN			
Salary:			
Fred Berry, Forest Warden	40 00	40 00	
Expenses:			
Telephone	33 88	33 88	
			73 88
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES			
Salary:			
Erving O. Maxwell, Sealer	230 00	230 00	
Expenses:			
Transportation	85 94		
Supplies	14 06		
		100 00	
			330 00
MOTH			
Salary and Wages:			
Rudolph H. Haraden, Supt.	1,216 00		
Frederick R. Johnson	890 60		
Robert Tobyne	81 00		
Louis Davino	81 00		
Donald Haraden	49 40		
Allan Campbell	48 00		
		2,366 00	
Expenses:			
Gas, Oil, Truck Maintenance	331 32		
Insurance	151 12		
Truck Storage	66 00		
Supplies	3 72		
Insectides	85 60		
Telephone	18 23		
Truck Hire	96 00		
Mist Spraying	50 00		
		801 99	
			3,167 99
Carried forward			\$46,262 57

Brought forward

\$46,262 57

MOTH—PRIVATE PROPERTY

Salary and Wages:

Rudolph H. Haraden, Supt.	432 00
Frederick R. Johnson	342 00
Other Wages	11 30

785 30

Expenses:

Gas, Oil, Truck Maintenance	57 60
Insectides	195 94
Truck Hire	96 00

349 54

1,134 84

TREE WARDEN

Salary and Wages:

Rudolph H. Haraden, Warden	768 00
Frederick R. Johnson	665 74
Other Wages	185 55

1,619 29

Expenses:

Gas, Oil, Truck Maintenance	10 00
Tools and Supplies	63 70
Trees	20 00
Expenses, Wardens' Meetings	5 00

98 70

1,717 99

HEALTH

Salary and Wages:

Everett F. Haley	60 00
Edward A. DeWitt	30 00
Lawrence R. Stone	30 00
Francis H. Whipple, Clerk	60 00
Ernest M. Barker, Milk Inspector	60 00

240 00

Expenses:

Printing, Postage, Supplies	30 00
Immunizations and Tests	34 75
Abating Nuisances	22 05
Care of Patients at Essex San.	915 00

1,001 80

Collections:

Welch & Lamson, Inc., Rubbish	2,058 16
Arthur Cook, Garbage	2,413 36

4,471 52

5,713 32

Carried forward

\$54,828 72

Brought forward

\$54,828 72

MAINTENANCE OF ESSEX SANATORIUM

Treasurer of Essex County	3,850 25	3,850 25
---------------------------	----------	----------

DENTAL CLINIC

Dr. John King	1,650 00	
Florence Stobbart	200 00	
Insurance	10 00	
Supplies	9 00	
	<hr/>	1,869 00
		<hr/>
		1,869 00

ANIMAL INSPECTOR

Ernest M. Barker, Inspector	90 00	
Transportation	50 00	
	<hr/>	140 00
		<hr/>
		140 00

HIGHWAYS

Salary and Wages:

Leland D. Thompson, Surveyor	2,800 00	
Frank C. Back	1,476 85	
Lewis K. Pierce	1,828 30	
Frank Manthorn	1,535 25	
Robert Tucker	1,002 75	
Thomas Green	1,037 20	
Herbert Harraden	701 35	
Harvey Saunders	458 90	
Other Wages	343 90	
	<hr/>	11,184 50

Expenses:

Gas. Oil, Maintenance of Trucks	1,786 42
Truck Hire	214 50
Equipment and Repairs	68 10
Mowing Grass on Shoulders	50 00
Tools and Supplies	112 79
Telephone	33 14
Compensation Insurance	316 66
Road Oil	1,108 22
Patching Material	203 59
Stone	321 37
Gravel	391 88
Sand	264 10
Shovel Hire	759 63
Roller Hire	396 20
Grader Hire	180 90
Bulldozer Hire	169 00

Carried forward

\$60,687 97

Brought forward

\$60,687 97

Surveying	110 00
Lumber	88 52
Brick	27 00
Cement	17 20
Storage	105 00
Express	2 22
Signs	9 50
	<hr/>
	6,735 94

17,920 44

CHAPTER 90 MAINTENANCE

Salary and Wages:

Frank C. Back	42 75
Lewis K. Pierce	69 20
Frank Manthorn	37 50
Thomas Green	31 20
Herbert Harraden	31 20
Robert Tucker	39 75
Other Wages	108 90
	<hr/>
	360 50

Expenses:

Road Oil	426 94
Stone	266 85
Patching Material	240 19
Roller Hire	88 00
Posts and Hooks	80 96
Pipe	8 82
Gasoline	27 74
	<hr/>
	1,139 50

1,500 00

WALNUT ROAD SIDEWALK

Roller Hire	150 00
Gravel	44 00
Hot Top Material	335 21
Gasoline	57 90
	<hr/>
	587 11

587 11

ASBURY STREET SIDEWALK

Salary and Wages:

Frank C. Back	72 00
Lewis K. Pierce	86 40
Robert Tucker	72 00
Frank Manthorn	72 00
Thomas Green	62 40
Herbert Harraden	62 40
	<hr/>
	427 20

Carried forward

\$80,695 52

Brought forward			\$80,695 52
Expenses:			
Surveying	70 00		
Roller Hire	150 00		
Hot-top Material	408 45		
Gravel	29 00		
Gasoline	45 50		
		702 95	
			1,130 15

WILLOW STREET SIDEWALK

Salary and Wages:			
Frank C. Back	18 00		
Lewis K. Pierce	24 00		
Robert Tucker	18 00		
Frank Manthorn	18 00		
Thomas Green	15 60		
Herbert Harraden	15 60		
Other Wages	14 30		
		123 50	
Expenses:			
Surveying	45 00		
Curb Stone	207 67		
Roller Hire	150 00		
Hot-top Material	154 61		
Gasoline	40 54		
		597 82	
			721 32

SAVOY ROAD

Salary and Wages:			
Frank C. Back	72 00		
Lewis K. Pierce	134 40		
Frank Manthorn	36 00		
Thomas Green	31 20		
Herbert Harraden	20 80		
		294 40	
Expenses:			
Truck Digger Hire	170 00		
Bulldozer Hire	180 00		
Drain Pipe	377 67		
Catch Basin Grates and Frames	204 90		
Building Catch Basins	76 55		
Brick	72 00		
Cement	26 89		
Sand and Gravel	18 30		
Carried forward			\$82,546 99

Brought forward			\$82,546 99
Surveying	75 00		
Gasoline	24 69		
	<hr/>	1,226 00	
		<hr/>	1,520 40
CHAPTER 90 CONSTRUCTION			
<i>Asbury Street</i>			
S. Triconi, Contract	15,915 65		
William Paxton, Contract	3,802 28		
Catch Basin Frames	44 03		
Guard Rail Posts	64 00		
Advertising	23 75		
	<hr/>	19,849 71	
<i>Essex Street</i>			
Cost of Petition	24 25	24 25	
		<hr/>	19,873 96
SNOW REMOVAL AND SANDING			
Salary and Wages:			
Frank C. Back	165 30		
Lewis K. Pierce	264 00		
Robert Tucker	255 00		
Frank Manthorn	231 38		
Thomas Green	147 55		
Other Wages	1,195 91		
	<hr/>	2,259 14	
Expenses:			
Gas, Oil, Truck Maintenance	781 69		
Equipment and Repairs	830 29		
Storage of Trucks and Equipment	95 00		
Compensation Insurance	201 63		
Salt and Sand	189 92		
Telephone	6 76		
Signs	10 00		
Rent of Trucks and Plows	1,331 75		
	<hr/>	3,447 04	
		<hr/>	5,706 18
STREET LIGHTING			
Beverly Gas & Electric Co.	7,037 16		7,037 16
PUBLIC WELFARE			
Salary and Wages:			
Edward A. DeWitt	53 75		
Laurence R. Stone	36 25		
Everett F. Haley	30 00		
Francis H. Whipple, Clerk	30 00		
	<hr/>	150 00	
Carried forward			\$116,684 69

Brought forward

\$116,684 69

Expenses:

Cash Grants	4,827 63	
Coal, Wood, Oil	188 35	
Medical Costs	29 83	
Groceries	21 95	
Other Cities and Towns	46 50	
Transportation	35 76	
Supplies	3 00	
	<hr/>	5,153 02

5,303 02

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Town Funds:

Cash Grant to Recipients	13,724 07	
Payments in behalf of Recipients	248 64	
Other Cities and Towns	48 30	
	<hr/>	14,021 01

Federal Funds:

Cash Grant to Recipients	8,474 30	
Payments in behalf of Recipients	4 50	
Other Cities and Towns	38 69	
	<hr/>	8,517 49

22,538 50

OLD AGE ADMINISTRATION

Town Funds:

Francis H. Whipple, Agent	544 50	
Office Supplies	36 65	
Transportation	43 44	
	<hr/>	624 59

Federal Funds:

Francis H. Whipple, Agent	168 00	
Office Supplies	48 75	
Transportation	26 64	
	<hr/>	243 39

867 98

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN ASSISTANCE

Town Funds:

Cash Grants to Recipients	637 75	
---------------------------	--------	--

Federal Funds:

Cash Grants to Recipients	1,164 31	
	<hr/>	1,802 06

1,802 06

Carried forward

\$147,196 25

Brought forward

\$147,196 25

VETERANS' BENEFITS

Cash Aid to Recipients	170 00		
Office Supplies	25 00		
	<hr/>	195 00	
		<hr/>	195 00

SCHOOLS

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Elwin F. Towne, Supt.	4,860 64		
Elizabeth Edmondson, Clerk	1,950 00		
Telephone	207 85		
Office Supplies	165 84		
Traveling Expense	8 50		
Advertising	31 51		
Census	100 00		
	<hr/>	7,324 34	

TEACHERS SALARIES

Edith Anderson	2,466 64		
Wilbur Armstrong	2,666 60		
Ruth Austen	2,466 64		
Margaret Batchelder	2,366 60		
Warren Bennett	2,766 64		
Millicent Boswell	2,266 64		
Laura Boyd	2,746 64		
Ellen Duffy	2,366 60		
Harriet Erskine	1,966 64		
Marshall Gero	2,466 64		
Lydia Harmer	2,366 60		
Elliott Hawkes	170 00		
Marion Joseph	2,541 64		
Frank Malone	2,866 64		
Carl Martini	2,666 60		
John O'Neil	2,266 64		
Hazel Ramer	2,666 60		
Irene Thibedeau	2,366 60		
Maude Thomas	416 00		
Libby Volk	1,966 64		
Marguerite Williams	2,166 64		
Doris Woodbury	2,066 60		
Substitute Teachers	558 00		
	<hr/>	49,631 48	

Carried forward

\$147,391 25

Brought forward

\$147,391 25

JANITORS SALARIES

Andrew Dunn	1,999 92	
Hovey Humphrey	1,950 00	
James Perron	379 12	
John Varnum	249 96	
Assistants	20 00	
	<hr/>	4,599 00

TRANSPORTATION

Donald G. Trussell, Pupils	5,448 00	
Donald G. Trussell, Athletic Trip	247 60	
	<hr/>	5,695 60

TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

High

Text and Reference Books	357 96	
Supplies	642 08	
	<hr/>	1,000 04

Elementary

Text and Reference Books	224 34	
Supplies	844 35	
	<hr/>	1,068 69

FUEL AND LIGHT

High

Coal	783 56	
Electric Current	617 90	
Gas	111 72	
	<hr/>	1,513 18

Elementary

Coal	827 73	
Electric Current	246 88	
Gas	99 85	
	<hr/>	1,174 46

MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

High

Upkeep and Repairs	552 12	
Janitor's Supplies	77 40	
Cleaning	22 80	
	<hr/>	652 32

Elementary

Upkeep and Repairs	363 66	
Janitor's Supplies	244 26	
Cleaning	24 00	
Removal of Ashes	40 00	
	<hr/>	671 92

Carried forward

\$147,391 25

Brought forward

\$147,391 25

SCHOOL HEALTH

Dr. Daniel M. Rogers	400 00
Florence Stobbart	958 30
Medical Supplies	42 06

 1,400 36

MISCELLANEOUS

Shop Equipment and Supplies	535 34
Domestic Science Supplies	623 77
Writing Supervision	385 00
Music Supplies	149 12
Athletic Supplies and Equipment	485 78
Films	37 56
Graduation	101 12
Library Books and Supplies	41 25
Testing	55 45
Insurance	129 28
Equipment — High	890 22
Equipment — Elementary	610 02
Freight and Express	138 43
Water Rates	76 30
Other Expenses	62 95

 4,321 59

 79,052 98

SCHOOL VOCATIONAL

City of Beverly	345 60
-----------------	--------

 345 60

SCHOOL CAFETERIAS

High

Salaries and Wages:	
Margaret Back	712 00
Loretta Tremblay	640 80

 1,352 80

Expenses:

Food and Provisions	2,139 40
Express	6 85

 2,146 25

 3,499 05
Lamson

Salaries and Wages:	
Pauline Gould	751 45
Jennie Nielsen	643 05
Other Wages	24 80

 1,419 30

Carried forward

 \$230,288 88

Brought forward			\$230,288 88
Expenses:			
Food and Provisions	2,046 27		
Gas	34 32		
	<hr/>	2,080 59	
		<hr/>	3,499 89

SCHOOL SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

Commercial Equipment

Royal Typewriter Co.	399 00		
Cascade Paper Co.	71 75		
	<hr/>	470 75	

	<i>Shades — High</i>		
Beverly Shade Shoppe	25 00		
	<hr/>	25 00	

	<i>Lamson Roof Repairs</i>		
Trask Roofing Co.	2,875 00		
	<hr/>	2,875 00	

	<i>Vacuum System Repairs</i>		
George W. Pickering Co.	32 00		
	<hr/>	32 00	

	<i>Gym. Floor Repairs</i>		
Finlay D. MacDonald	88 97		
	<hr/>	88 97	

	<i>Painting — Lamson</i>		
George M. Zolotas & Bro.	995 00		
	<hr/>	995 00	

	<i>Leakage Repairs</i>		
Finlay D. MacDonald	98 00		
	<hr/>	98 00	

	<i>New Machinery — High</i>		
Jesse E. Brown & Son	45 00		
	<hr/>	45 00	

	<i>New Machinery — Lamson</i>		
Jesse E. Brown & Son	70 00		
	<hr/>	70 00	
		<hr/>	4,699 72

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Salaries Librarians:			
Lydia L. Haraden	600 00		
Jennie S. Perley	375 00		
	<hr/>	975 00	

Carried forward			<hr/> \$238,488 49
-----------------	--	--	--------------------

Brought forward

\$238,488 49

Expenses:

Books and Periodicals	1,166 03
Rent	397 50
Electric Current	20 09
Supplies, Postage	31 70
Wood	6 00
Janitor Services	25 00
Association Dues	5 00
Transporting Books	5 00
Cleaning	13 00
	<hr/>
	1,669 32

2,644 32

PARK

Salary and Wages:

James Goodrich, Supt.	2,250 00
Pauline Knott, Instructor	162 00
George Taylor, Instructor	288 00
Miscellaneous Wages	322 24
	<hr/>
	3,022 24

Expenses:

Tools and Supplies	148 30
Trucking	64 75
Cement Mixer Hire	40 00
Electric Current	31 35
Automobile Allowance	92 34
Gas and Oil	27 50
Lumber	159 30
Gravel	20 75
Blacksmith Work	54 00
Sharpening Mowers & Tools	40 30
Fertilizers and Lime	152 40
Welding	17 25
Parts for Trailer	39 15
Playground Equipment	36 07
Coal	39 57
Paint	21 00
Aersol Burner	26 00
First Aid Kit	7 50
Mower Chains	7 00
Water Rates	43 40
Compensation Insurance	62 38
Liability Insurance	59 00
Transporting Children	55 00

Carried forward

\$241,132 81

Brought forward

\$241,132 81

Trailer Insurance	3 60
Electrical Work	50 00

1,297 91

4,320 15

PARK SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

Engineering

Elmer Smith	300 00
-------------	--------

300 00
Electrical Work

Jesse Brown & Son.	275 00
--------------------	--------

275 00
Backstop

Security Fence Co.	550 00
--------------------	--------

550 00
Baseball Field

McCarthy Bros. Gravel	484 00
-----------------------	--------

McCarthy Bros. Bulldozer hire	66 00
-------------------------------	-------

Gordon Thompson, Loam	17 50
-----------------------	-------

Chittick's Store, Lime	18 50
------------------------	-------

Miscellaneous Labor	413 77
---------------------	--------

999 77
Bases — Plates — Bench

Cornix Rubber Co., Bases & Plate	50 60
----------------------------------	-------

John D. Jeffers & Sons, Lumber	14 40
--------------------------------	-------

65 00
Power Mower Extras

Hamilton Repair Shop, Mower Unit	100 00
----------------------------------	--------

R. E. Jarvis Co., Snow Plow	129 00
-----------------------------	--------

Materials for Roller & Trailer	92 63
--------------------------------	-------

321 63
Concrete Drain

Hume Pipe Co., Pipe	162 00
---------------------	--------

Miscellaneous Labor	38 00
---------------------	-------

200 00
Hose

Boston Woven Hose Co., Hose	261 41
-----------------------------	--------

Blanchard Assn. Fittings	30 00
--------------------------	-------

291 41

3,002 81

Carried forward

\$248,455 77

Brought forward

\$248,455 77

UNCLASSIFIED

AMERICAN LEGION

Rent	100 00	
Electric Current	20 40	
Heating Oil	177 63	
	<hr/>	298 03
		<hr/>
		298 03

INSURANCE

Obrion Russell & Co., Premium	1,183 56	
	<hr/>	1,183 56

TOWN CLOCK

George H. Barney, Care of Clock	100 00	
	<hr/>	100 00

MEMORIAL DAY

Lee's Band	215 00	
Sacred Heart Drum Corp.	100 00	
Flags	50 00	
Clerical Work	19 50	
Printing	17 00	
Flowers & Wreaths	143 75	
Envelopes and Postage	8 36	
	<hr/>	553 61
		<hr/>
		553 61

WALSH SCHOOL ALTERATIONS

Finlay D. MacDonald, Contract	7,200 00	
Finlay D. MacDonald, Extra Work	404 34	
George A. Landers, Extra Plumbing	191 04	
Chitticks Farm Store, Water Heater	139 40	
Chitticks Farm Store, Chairs	454 90	
Ray Thibedeau, Plans	90 00	
Gordon Thompson, Cleaning up	20 00	
Howard's for Hardware, Hardware	13 76	
Electric Current	1 96	
Pickering-MacFarland, Oil Burner	1,168 00	
	<hr/>	9,683 40
		<hr/>
		9,683 40

PARK CANNON DAMAGE

Arthur Leach, Repairs	89 70	
	<hr/>	89 70

Carried forward

\$260,364 07

Brought forward

\$260,364 07

WATER BOND PREMIUM

Day Trust Co., Printing and Certification

446 70

446 70

PLANNING BOARD

Publishing proposed by-law

67 40

Printing

80 70

Map

85 00

Association Dues

10 00

243 10

243 10

TOWN REPORTS

Newcomb & Gauss, Printing

739 20

Distribution

28 50

767 70

767 70

LAND PURCHASE

Boston and Maine Railroad

600 00

600 00

WATER DEPARTMENT

Salary and Wages:

J. Edward Cox, Supt.

2,555 00

Alexina D. Morrow, Clerk

500 00

Walter Emeney

715 00

Clarence Green

644 00

Other Wages

60 00

4,474 00

Expenses:

Electric Current

1,977 41

Gas, Oil, Truck Maintenance

512 74

Pipe, Supplies, Fittings

1,639 05

Meters

811 36

Heating Oil

173 34

Compensation Insurance

95 38

Trench Cribbing

16 00

Freight and Express

35 18

Telephone

92 30

Printing, Postage, Supplies

176 14

5,528 90

10,002 90

Carried forward

\$272,424 47

Brought forward

\$272,424 47

WATER SPECIAL APPROPRIATION

Gardner Street

Wright Contracting Co., Digger and

Bulldozer	160 00
Pipe and Fittings	180 58
Walter Emeney, Labor	32 50
Clarence Green, Labor	42 50
Other Wages	8 00

423 58

423 58

Engineering and Testing Wells

Edward F. Hughes, Testing Wells 988 58

988 58

Reservoir and Wells

S. Vitale, Reservoir Contract	7,126 30
Edward F. Hughes, Wells Contract	1,341 30
Advertising	54 03

8,521 63

8,521 63

Laying Mains

R. D. Wood Co., Pipe & Fittings	734 83
Eureka Pipe Co., Pipe and Fittings	389 29
Red-Hed Mfg. Co., Fittings	108 00
Gordon Thompson, Laying Pipe	777 50
Freight	71 64

2,081 26

2,081 26

CEMETERY

Salary and Wages:

Ernest E. MacGregor, Supt.	1,480 00
Roy Whipple	400 00
Raymond A. Whipple	25 00
Lawrence C. Foster	25 00
John Walke	25 00
Doris Foster, Clerk	100 00
Other Wages	44 00

2,099 00

Expenses:

Gas, Oil, Truck and Mower

Repairs	156 31
Power Mower	160 00
Tools and Supplies	79 14
Water Rates	14 60
Printing and Postage	29 40

Carried forward

\$284,439 52

Brought forward			\$284,439 52
Telephone	14 80		
	<hr/>	454 25	
		<hr/>	2,553 25
CEMETERY SPECIAL IMPROVEMENTS			
Edward MacGregor, Building Lots	275 00		
Seed and Fertilizer	17 45		
	<hr/>	292 45	
		<hr/>	292 45
INTEREST			
Merchants National Bank:			
High School Bonds	787 50		
Water Bonds	718 75		
	<hr/>		1,506 25
MATURING DEBT			
Merchants National Bank:			
High School Bonds	5,000 00		
Water Bonds	5,000 00		
	<hr/>		10,000 00
AGENCY			
Com. of Mass. State Tax	4,500 00		
Com. of Mass. State Audit	110 18		
Com. of Mass., State Parks	169 91		
County of Essex, County Tax	10,720 30		
County of Essex, Dog License	682 20		
Naumkeag Trust Co., Withholding Tax	7,968 67		
	<hr/>	24,151 26	
		<hr/>	24,151 26
TRUST			
Ipswich Savings Bank			
Deposits for Endowments	837 00		
	<hr/>		837 00
REFUNDS			
Real Estate Tax	553 20		
Personal Tax	28 44		
Poll Tax	102 00		
Excise Tax	21 47		
Interest	2 48		
Water Rates	1 40		
Bid Deposit	500 00		
	<hr/>	1,208 99	
		<hr/>	1,208 99
Total Disbursements 1947			324,988 72
Balance, Cash December 31, 1947			203,877 79
			<hr/>
			\$528,866 51

TRANSFERS
By Annual Town Meeting

From	To	
Excess & Deficiency	Maturing Debt	\$10,000 00
Dog Tax Refund	Schools	440 27
Park Cannon Insurance	Cannon Repairs	89 79
School Specials	School Cafeteria	1,229 18
Cemetery Sale of Lots	Cemetery	300 00

By Finance Committee

Reserve Fund	Memorial Day	103 61
" "	Fire	777 56
" "	Police	188 23
" "	Snow	206 18
" "	Collector	17 68
" "	Water	292 90

TRUST FUND INCOME

Cemetery Perpetual Care Interest	\$332 00
----------------------------------	----------

RECAPITULATION OF DEPARTMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS TRANSFERS AND EXPENDITURES

December 31, 1947

		Appropriation and Transfers	Expended	Unexpended Balance
Selectmen		\$2,600 00	\$2,529 04	\$70 96
Accounting		1,835 00	1,834 71	29
Treasury		1,355 00	1,349 95	5 05
Collector	Apr. 1,665 00			
	Transfer 17 68	1,682 68	1,682 68	
Assessors Salaries		975 00	975 00	
Assessors Wages		1,040 00	1,024 91	15 09
Assessors Expenses		1,090 00	1,057 40	32 60
Finance Committee		15 00	15 00	
Law		700 00	700 00	
Town Clerk		1,325 00	1,324 64	36
Town Clerk Equipment (Bal. Jan. 1)		439 74		439 74*
Election and Registration		900 00	830 84	69 16
Town Hall		2,700 00	2,698 92	1 08
Town Hall Repairs (Bal. Jan. 1)		348 00	348 00	
Police Salary and Wages		6,330 00	6,120 30	209 70
Police Expenses	Apr. 910 00			
	Transfer 188 23	1,098 23	1,098 23	
Ambulance Cruiser Purchase		1,600 00	1,597 31	2 69
Fire	Apr. 3,200 00			
	Trans. 777 56	3,977 56	3,977 56	
Fire New Hose		600 00	600 00	
Fire House Alterations (Bal. Jan. 1)		2,940 00	2,940 00	
Fire Pump Purchase (Bal. Jan. 1)		10,000 00	9,986 21	13 79
Moth Supt. Salary		1,216 00	1,216 00	
Moth Wages		1,150 00	1,150 00	
Moth Expenses		802 00	801 99	01
Moth Private Property				
Supt. Salary		432 00	432 00	
Wages		418 00	353 30	64 70
Expenses		350 00	349 54	46
Tree Warden Salary		768 00	768 00	
Wages		864 00	851 29	12 71
Expenses		100 00	98 70	1 30
Forest Warden		80 00	73 88	6 12
Sealer		330 00	330 00	
Health		5,800 00	5,713 32	86 68
Dental Clinic		2,200 00	1,869 00	331 00
Animal Inspector		140 00	140 00	
Highway Surveyors Salary		2,600 00	2,600 00	
Wages of Drivers and Helpers		7,944 00	7,943 65	35
Expenses and Labor		7,868 40	7,176 79	691 61
Chap. 90 Construction Asbury Street				
Bal. Jan. 1	3,977 80			
Apr.	1,500 00			
Transfer	16,500 00	21,977 80	19,849 71	2,128 09*
Chap. 90 Construction Essex Street				
Apr.	1,625 00			
Transfer	4,875 00	6,500 00	24 25	6,475 75*
Chap. 90 Maintenance				
Apr.	1,000 00			
Trans.	500 00	1,500 00	1,500 00	

		Appropriation and Transfers	Expended	Unexpended Balance
Walnut Road Sidewalk (Bal. Jan. 1)		761 89	587 11	174 78*
Asbury Street Sidewalk		1,500 00	1,130 15	369 85*
Willow Street Sidewalk		1,200 00	721 32	478 68*
Savoy Road		3,410 50	1,520 40	1,890 10*
Snow Removal & Sanding				
Appr.	5,500 00			
Trans.	206 18	5,706 18	5,706 18	
Street Lighting		7,500 00	7,037 16	462 84
Public Welfare		5,500 00	5,303 02	196 98
Old Age Assistance				
Appr.	14,000 00			
Refund	24 96	14,024 96	14,021 01	3 95
Old Age Administration		1,000 00	624 59	375 41
Aid to Dependent Children		1,200 00	637 75	562 25
Aid to Dependent Children Administration		25 00		25 00
Veterans' Benefits		700 00	195 00	505 00
School (General)				
Appr.	78,668 70			
Dog Tax	440 27			
Refunds	2 39	79,111 36	79,052 98	58 38
School Vocational		500 00	345 60	154 40
School Cafeteria—High		3,500 00	3,499 05	95
School Cafeteria—Lamson		3,500 00	3,499 89	11
School Shades—High (Bal. Jan. 1)		25 00	25 00	
Gym Floor Repairs				
Bal. Jan. 1	56 04			
Appr.	95 00	151 04	88 97	62 07
Commercial Equipment				
Bal. Jan. 1	45 10			
Appr.	455 00	500 10	470 75	29 35
Waterproofing High				
Bal. Jan. 1		500 00		500 00*
Lamson Roof Repairs				
Bal. Jan. 1	2,300 00			
Appr.	575 00	2,875 00	2,875 00	
Leakage Repairs		100 00	98 00	2 00
Vacuum System Repairs		40 00	32 00	8 00
Tile in Gym		125 00		125 00*
New Machinery—High		45 00	45 00	
New Machinery—Lamson		72 00	70 00	2 00
Painting Basement—Lamson		1,000 00	995 00	5 00
Public Library		2,655 00	2,644 32	10 68
Park Supt., Salary		2,250 00	2,250 00	
Park Labor and Expenses		1,645 00	1,620 15	24 85
Park Salary of Instructors		450 00	450 00	
Park Power Mower Extras		324 00	321 63	2 39
Baseball Field		1,000 00	999 77	23
Baseball Backstop		600 00	550 00	50 00
Field Bases, Plate and Bench		65 00	58 15	6 85
Electrical Work		275 00	275 00	
Engineering		300 00	300 00	
Concrete Drain		200 00	200 00	
Hose		293 00	291 41	1 59
American Legion		300 00	298 03	1 97
Insurance		1,200 00	1,183 56	16 44
Memorial Day				
Appr.	450 00			
Trans.	103 61	553 61	553 61	
Reserve Fund		2,000 00	1,586 16	413 84

		Appropriation and Transfers	Expended	Unexpended Balance
Town Clock		100 00	100 00	
Town Reports		767 70	767 70	
Patton Park Memorial				
Bal. Jan. 1	100 00			
Appr.	500 00	600 00		600 00*
Planning Board		500 00	243 10	256 90
Land Purchase (B. & M. R. R.)		600 00	600 00	
Walsh School Alterations		10,000 00	9,683 40	316 60*
Cemetery				
Appr.	2,175 00			
Income	378 25	2,553 25	2,553 25	
Cemetery Improvements		300 00	292 45	7 55*
Water Salaries		3,100 00	3,055 00	45 00
Expenses and Wages				
Appr.	6,655 00			
Trans.	292 90	6,947 90	6,947 90	
Gardner Street		450 00	423 58	26 42
Testing Wells		1,000 00	988 58	11 42
Reservoir and Wells		33,000 00	8,521 63	24,478 37*
Laying Mains		119,000 00	2,081 26	116,918 74*
Interest		1,510 00	1,506 25	3 75
Maturing Debt		10,000 00	10,000 00	
				<hr/>
				\$159,844 98
Transferred to Excess and Deficiency				4,941 73
Carried over to 1948				154,903 25

* Indicates Balance Carried to 1948.

TRUST FUNDS

DR. JUSTIN ALLEN LIBRARY FUND

Savings deposits January 1, 1947	524 16
Interest added during 1947	13 18
	<hr/>
Savings deposits December 31, 1947	537 34

H. AUGUSTA DODGE LIBRARY FUND

Savings deposits January 1, 1947	1,050 92
Interest added during 1947	26 43
	<hr/>
Savings deposits December 31, 1947	1,077 35

MAXWELL NORMAN FUND

Savings deposits January 1, 1947	449 71
Interest added during 1947	11 30
	<hr/>
Savings deposits December 31, 1947	461 01

CEMETERY SALE OF LOTS FUND

Savings deposits January 1, 1947	10,371 50
Interest added during 1947	252 20
	<hr/>
Total deposits 1947	10,623 70
Withdrawn for Cemetery Purposes	300 00
	<hr/>
Savings deposits December 31, 1947	10,323 70
Cash in General Treasury January 1, 1947	150 00
Cash Receipts during 1947	425 00
	<hr/>
Total Cash on hand and bank deposits	\$10,898 70

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

Savings deposits January 1, 1947	20,274 93
Bequests added to savings deposits during 1947	837 00
Interest added during 1947	465 79
	<hr/>
	21,577 72
Transferred to Town for Cemetery purposes	332 00
	<hr/>
Savings deposits December 31, 1947	21,245 72

TOWN OF HAMILTON

December 31, 1947

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

	Balance Dec. 31, 1946	Bequests and Additions	Income	Withdrawn	Balance Dec. 31, 1947
Crowell, Frank B.	53 25		1 32	1 00	53 57
Daley, Harold A.	208 41		5 24	5 00	208 65
Newcomb, Charles A.	103 69		2 59	2 50	103 78
Hurlburt, Eben	103 69		2 59	2 50	103 78
Williams, Betty L.	106 57		2 67	2 50	106 74
Gibney, George H.	104 62		2 61	2 50	104 73
Knowlton, Willis F.	419 91		10 55	5 00	425 46
Cummings, A. Merrill	104 79		2 63	2 50	104 92
Norris, George A.	158 48		3 98	3 00	159 46
Williams, Constance	208 15		5 23	5 00	208 38
Tappan, Foster E.	112 51		2 81		115 32
Anderson, Perley G.	104 82		2 63	2 50	104 95
Murray, Alice I.	104 58		2 61	2 50	104 69
Perron, James	52 26		1 30	1 00	50 56
Shepherd, Helen	26 85		67		27 52
Wood, Oscar A.	153 24		3 85	3 00	154 09
Rogers, Charles, Jr.	108 00		2 71	2 50	108 21
Dodge, Joseph W.	159 86		4 00	3 50	160 36
Southwick, Mary A.	103 50		2 59	2 50	103 59
Burton, F. J. and P. W. Burton	110 98		2 78	2 50	111 26
Patch, Emeline	108 60		2 71	2 50	108 81
Dodge, Edward W.	110 20		2 77	2 50	110 47
Whipple, Albert M.	110 63		1 36	2 50	107 87
Horne, Thomas	112 47		2 81	2 50	112 78
Andrews, Horace E.	117 08		2 94	2 50	117 52
Peterson, Charles A.	103 82		2 60	2 60	103 92
Graham, Charlie E.	54 52		1 37	1 00	54 89
Lovering, J. P.	111 85		2 80	2 50	112 15
Dufton, Joseph W.	110 99		2 78	2 50	111 27
Butler, N. B.	109 99		2 75	2 50	110 24
Fillebrown, Howard R.	52 20		1 30	1 00	52 50
Cutler, Temple	83 52		2 09	1 50	84 11
Cutler, Temple (Old Lot)	84 31		2 11	1 50	84 92
Dane, Ephriam A.	105 87		2 65	2 50	106 02
Patch, Laura S.	110 07		2 77	2 50	110 34
Dodge, James E.	113 32		2 84	2 50	113 66
Dane, Joseph F.	102 38		2 57	2 00	102 95
Mason, Arthur	115 19		2 89	2 50	115 58
Goodhue, Saml. G.	110 49		2 77	2 50	110 76

	Balance Dec. 31, 1946	Bequests and Additions	Income	Withdrawn	Balance Dec. 31, 1947
Preston, Thomas	110 79		2 78	2 50	111 07
McNeil, Hattie S.	110 94		2 78	2 50	111 22
Tuttle, John	112 43		2 81	2 50	112 74
Kimball, Susan A.	161 43		4 05	3 50	161 98
Henry, Mary R.	80 74		2 01	1 50	81 25
Knowlton, Isaac F.	230 58		5 79	5 00	231 37
Knowlton, Geo. K. and Rollins, Standlev	113 57		2 84	2 50	113 91
Anderson, Johanna M.	104 11		2 61	2 50	104 22
Swett, George C.	104 36		2 61	2 50	104 47
French, Isaac I.	103 46		2 59	2 50	103 55
Abbott, Albert S.	105 49		2 64	2 50	105 63
Whitman, Florence H.	103 86		2 60	2 50	103 96
Barclay & Alice D. Tilton	401 63		10 09	10 00	401 72
Colwell, Ernest G.	112 09		2 81	2 50	112 40
Stone, Daniel D.	109 69		2 75	2 50	109 94
Neal, Nirum	55 00		1 38	1 00	55 38
Neal, George A.	54 58		1 37	1 00	54 95
Thompson, Mary E.	170 76		4 28	3 00	172 04
MacDonald, Robert	111 06		2 79	2 50	111 35
Hobbs, Franklin	110 38		2 77	2 50	110 65
Elwell, John E., Gertrude	113 13		2 84	2 50	113 47
Wilson, James	113 05		2 84	2 50	113 39
Ware, Lydia	224 63		5 64	5 00	225 27
Andrews, Mary	38 30		96		39 26
Patch, Mrs. Washington	102 92		2 58	2 00	103 50
Grant, Mrs. Alice	102 92		2 58	2 00	103 50
Chandler, Arthur W.	102 92		2 58	2 00	103 50
Knowlton, Joseph	104 77		2 63	2 50	105 00
Hayes, Olivia E.	111 98		2 80	2 50	112 28
Thayer, Samuel E.	111 28		2 79	2 50	111 57
Chandler, William D.	110 73		2 78	2 50	111 01
Smith, Charles H.	103 91		2 60	2 00	104 51
Horne, Duncan K.	104 90		2 63	2 00	105 53
Bradstreet, John	207 67		5 22	4 00	208 89
Gamboa, Joseph	108 44		2 71	2 50	108 65
Whipple, Emerson A.	111 89		2 80	2 50	112 19
Chadwick, Alden	113 20		2 84	2 50	113 54
Ellis, Emily	111 12		2 79	2 50	111 41
Woodbury, John T.	111 23		2 79	2 50	111 52
Whittredge, John	111 23		2 79	2 50	111 52
Woodbury, John L.	525 16		13 20	10 00	528 36
Roberts, George E.	109 90		2 75	2 50	110 15
Crowley, Bertha	109 99		2 75	2 50	110 24
Porter, Benjamin	111 67		2 80	2 50	111 97
Trussell, Frank P.	170 87		4 29	4 00	171 16

	Balance Dec. 31, 1946	Bequests and Additions	Income	Withdrawn	Balance Dec. 31, 1947
Austin, Delia	103 15		2 59	2 00	103 74
Trefry, Henry G.	110 65		2 78	2 50	110 93
Lovering, Myrtle B.	116 81		2 93	2 50	117 24
Knowlton, John H.	113 18		2 84	2 50	113 52
Rowe, Mary	108 99		2 73	2 50	109 22
Nason, Daniel A.	108 99		2 73	2 50	109 22
Smerage, Charles A.	113 01		2 84	2 50	113 35
Knowlton, Clarence S.	111 59		2 79	2 50	111 88
MacDonald,					
Mrs. Alexander	110 75		2 78	2 50	111 03
Norton, Francis C.	167 87		4 20	3 00	169 07
Proctor, James H.	374 68		9 42	9 00	375 10
Brewer, Alice E.	103 93		2 60	2 00	104 53
Ayers, Fred H.	110 55		2 77	2 50	110 82
Whipple, A. C., Flower					
Fund	115 98	90 00	2 92		208 90
Allen, Dr. D. S.	375 41		7 54	5 00	377 95
Burnham, Choate	181 96		3 64	3 00	182 60
Haynes, George T.	109 13		2 19	2 00	109 32
Kinsman, Jacob	112 21		2 25	2 00	112 46
Dodge, H. Augustus					
Mary A.	257 41		5 16	4 00	258 57
Safford, Daniel E.	109 72		2 19	2 00	109 91
Whipple, I. D.	103 12		2 07	2 00	103 19
Burnham, Amos	102 46		2 05	2 00	102 51
Abbott, Marshall K.	225 74		4 52	4 00	226 26
Brown, Elizabeth S.	112 16		2 25	2 00	112 41
Dane, Luther	115 70		2 31	2 00	116 01
Roberts, Daniel	111 60		2 23	2 00	111 83
Dane, Francis	1,123 30		22 57	20 00	1,125 87
Dodge, Joseph T.	110 31		2 21	2 00	110 52
Bean, Ellen A.	116 47		2 33	2 00	116 80
Allen, Albert F.	106 97		2 14	2 00	107 11
Ayers, Samuel	418 27		7 08	4 00	421 35
Allen, Dr. Justin	103 78		2 07	2 00	103 85
Townsend, William E.	111 30		2 23	2 00	111 53
Davenport, Jabez K.	108 31		2 17	2 00	108 48
Whipple, Hannah M.	107 75		2 15	2 00	107 90
Gleason, William H.	108 22		2 17	2 00	108 39
Fletcher, Roland	155 18		3 11		158 29
Mann, John R.	154 85		3 10		157 95
Mann, Jesse S.	154 85		3 10		157 95
Sampson, Carrie	77 42		1 55		78 97
Perley, Alvin L.	154 54		3 10		157 64
Foster, C. A. and L. C.	154 54		3 10		157 64
Southwick, Mrs. Arthur	153 52		3 08		156 60

	Balance Dec. 31, 1946	Bequests and Additions	Income	Withdrawn	Balance Dec. 31, 1947
Durkee, Frank G.	152 00		3 05		155 05
Sargeant, Henry	152 00		3 05		155 05
Fitz, George W.	152 00		3 05		155 05
Ayer, Charles F.	505 83		10 15		515 98
Fuller, Marian B.	151 75		3 04		154 79
Haskell, T. and Brandeen, A.	151 75		3 04		154 79
Feener, Herbert J.	150 75		3 02		153 77
Schaller, Carrie, heirs of	150 50		3 02		153 52
Dodge, Esther M.	150 50		3 02		153 52
Kennedy, Hazel A.	301 00		6 05		307 05
Sweeney, Thomas S.	150 00		3 01		153 01
Little, William J.	150 00		3 01		153 01
Rankins, Carrie L.	150 00		3 01		153 01
Dodge, Thomas J.	150 00		2 00		152 00
Kent, Willis	150 00				150 00
Doyle, Jermiah J. and Harold E.		150 00			150 00
Cox, Edward J.		150 00			150 00
Newhall, Marian A.		150 00			150 00
Malone, Samuel		150 00			150 00

TOWN OF HAMILTON

BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1947

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Cash:

In Banks

\$203,877 79

Accounts Receivable:

Taxes:

Levy of 1947:

Personal Property

\$686 26

Real Estate

9,436 45

10,122 71

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:

Levy of 1947

465 16

Moth Assessments:

Levy of 1947

120 70

Tax Titles

\$78 45

Tax Possessions

136 53

214 98

Departmental:

Public Welfare

\$648 00

Old Age Assistance—

Cities and Towns

174 75

Veterans' Benefits

85 00

State Aid

10 00

Cemetery

135 75

1,053 50

Water Department:

Rates

\$939 87

Services

229 01

Water Liens Added to Taxes 1947

23 80

1,192 68

State and County Aid to Highways:

State

\$4,848 86

County

2,174 44

7,023 30

Overlay Deficits:

Levy of 1946

\$477 20

Levy of 1947

559 04

1,036 24

\$225,107 06

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Federal Withholding Taxes		\$770 91
Tailings		130 77
Premium on Water Loan		1,283 33
Surplus War Bonus Fund		965 37
Sale of Lots and Graves Fund		575 00
Trust Funds Income:		
Library	\$8 59	
Cemetery	215 11	
		223 70
Federal Grants:		
Old Age Assistance:		
Assistance	\$2,360 57	
Administration	418 97	
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Aid	171 81	
Administration	178 69	
		3,130 04
Unexpended Appropriation Balances:		
Town Clerk—Equipment	\$439 74	
Highway—Chapter 90 Construction:		
Asbury Street	2,109 97	
Essex Street	6,475 75	
Sidewalk—Walnut Road	174 78	
Sidewalk—Asbury Street	369 85	
Sidewalk—Willow Street	478 68	
Building Drains—Savoy Road	1,890 10	
School:		
Waterproofing—High	500 00	
Tile in Gymnasium—High	125 00	
Memorial—Patton Park	600 00	
Walsh School—Repairs	316 60	
Cemetery—Special	7 55	
Water:		
New Reservoir and Wells	24,478 37	
Laying Pipe	116,918 74	
		154,885 13
Overestimates:		
State Parks and Reservations 1947		62 78
County Tax 1947		2,315 95
Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus		3,362 18
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	\$465 16	
Special Assessment	120 70	

Tax Title	214 98	
Departmental	1,053 50	
Water	1,192 68	
State and County Aid to Highways	7,023 30	
		10,070 32
Surplus Revenue		47,331 58
		<hr/>
		\$225,107 06
		<hr/>

DEBT ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	\$227,000 00
	<hr/>
	\$227,000 00
	<hr/>

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

High School Building Loan	\$20,000 00
Water Loan 1939	55,000 00
Water Loan 1947 (Mains)	119,000 00
Water Loan 1947 (Reservoir)	33,000 00
	<hr/>
	\$227,000 00
	<hr/>

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Trust and Investment Funds:	
Cash and Securities	\$34,220 12
	<hr/>
	\$34,220 12
	<hr/>

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Dr. Justin Allen Library Fund	\$537 34
H. Augusta Dodge Library Fund	1,077 35
Maxwell Norman Fund	461 01
Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund	10,898 70
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	21,245 72
	<hr/>
	\$34,220 12
	<hr/>

TOWN OF HAMILTON
BONDED INDEBTEDNESS

Date of Maturity	High School Bonds, 3½% Issued 7-1-31	Water Supply Bonds, 1¼% Issued 7-1-39	Water Bonds Reservoir & Wells 1¼%, Issued 10-1-47	Water Bonds Laying Mains 1½%, Issued 11-1-47	Total
1948	5,000 00	5,000 00	3,000 00	8,000 00	21,000 00
1949	5,000 00	5,000 00	3,000 00	8,000 00	21,000 00
1950	5,000 00	5,000 00	3,000 00	8,000 00	21,000 00
1951	5,000 00	5,000 00	2,000 00	8,000 00	20,000 00
1952		5,000 00	2,000 00	8,000 00	15,000 00
1953		5,000 00	2,000 00	8,000 00	15,000 00
1954		5,000 00	2,000 00	8,000 00	15,000 00
1955		5,000 00	2,000 00	8,000 00	15,000 00
1956		5,000 00	2,000 00	8,000 00	15,000 00
1957		5,000 00	2,000 00	8,000 00	15,000 00
1958		5,000 00	2,000 00	8,000 00	15,000 00
1959			2,000 00	8,000 00	10,000 00
1960			2,000 00	8,000 00	10,000 00
1961			2,000 00	8,000 00	10,000 00
1962			2,000 00	7,000 00	9,000 00
	<hr/> 20,000 00	<hr/> 55,000 00	<hr/> 33,000 00	<hr/> 119,000 00	<hr/> 227,000 00

TOWN OF HAMILTON

Statement of Tax Rate per \$1,000.00 Valuation
for the Years
1920 to 1947 inclusive

Year	Tax Rate	Year	Tax Rate	Year	Tax Rate
1920	16 00	1929	22 70	1938	25 30
1921	20 00	1930	23 60	1939	25 00
1922	17 00	1931	24 70	1940	23 80
1923	21 00	1932	23 70	1941	23 40
1924	21 00	1933	22 30	1942	23 20
1925	23 80	1934	23 80	1943	22 00
1926	24 20	1935	28 60	1944	22 00
1927	23 80	1936	27 50	1945	24 00
1928	23 40	1937	26 70	1946	27 00
				1947	31 60

REPORT *of an* AUDIT
of
THE ACCOUNTS
of the
TOWN *of* HAMILTON
For the year 1947

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Department of Corporations and Taxation

Division of Accounts

State House, Boston 33

January 30, 1948

To the Board of Selectmen

Mr. Lawrence R. Stone, Chairman
Hamilton, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Hamilton for the fiscal year 1947, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Herman B. Dine, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

FRANCIS X. LANG,
Director of Accounts.

FXL:MMH

Mr. Francis X. Lang

Director of Accounts

Department of Corporations and Taxation

State House, Boston

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Hamilton for the fiscal year 1947, and submit the following report thereon:

The financial transactions, as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town or committing bills for collection, were examined, checked, and verified by comparison with the books of the town accountant and the treasurer.

The books and accounts of the town accountant were examined and checked. The receipts as recorded were checked with the available departmental records and with the treasurer's books, while the payments were compared with the treasurer's warrants authorizing the disbursement of town funds.

The ledger accounts were analyzed, the appropriation accounts were checked with the amounts voted by the town as shown by the town clerk's record of town meetings, the transfers from the reserve fund were compared with the amounts authorized by the finance committee, while other accounts were checked with information in the departments in which the transactions originated.

A trial balance was taken off, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town as of December 1, 1947.

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked. The receipts as recorded were analyzed and checked with the town accountant's books and with the records in the various departments collecting money for the town, as well as with those sources from which money was paid into the town treasury, while the payments were compared with the approved warrants. The cash balance as of January 12, 1948 was proved by reconciliation of the bank balances with statements furnished by the banks of deposit.

The payments of debt and interest were checked with the amounts falling due and with the cancelled securities and coupons on file.

The records of tax titles held by the town were examined. The additions to the tax title account were checked with the tax collector's records, and the tax title deeds were listed and reconciled with the town accountant's ledger and with the records in the Registry of Deeds.

The savings bank books representing the investment of the several trust funds in the custody of the town treasurer were examined. The income was proved, the withdrawals were verified, and the transfers to the town were compared with the receipts as recorded in the treasurer's cash book.

The books and accounts of the town collector were examined and checked. The poll, property, and motor vehicle and trailer excise, as well as the special assessments outstanding at the time of the previous examination, were audited, and all subsequent commitment lists were proved to the warrants issued for their collection. The recorded receipts were checked with the payments to the treasurer and with the accountant's ledger, the abatements as recorded were compared with the assessors' records of abatements granted, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the respective ledger accounts.

The commitments of water and cemetery accounts were examined and checked. The payments to the treasurer and the abatements were verified, and the outstanding accounts were listed and proved.

Verification of the outstanding accounts was made by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town, the replies received thereto indicating that the accounts as listed are correct.

Town town clerk's records of sporting and dog licenses issued were examined and checked, the payments to the Division of Fisheries and Game being compared with the receipts on file and the payments to the town treasurer being verified.

The surety bonds furnished by the departmental officials for the faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

The records of licenses and permits issued by the selectmen, of receipts by the public welfare, library, school, and cemetery departments, as

well as of all other departments collecting money for the town, were examined, checked, and reconciled with the treasurer's and the accountant's books.

In addition to the balance sheet referred to, there are appended to this report tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash, summaries of the tax, tax title, and departmental accounts, as well as tables showing the condition and transactions of the various trust funds.

For the cooperation received from all town officials while engaged in making the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE,
Assistant Director of Accounts.

HBD:MMH

RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH

Balance January 1, 1947	\$70,510 88	
Receipts	458,355 63	\$528,866 51
Payments	\$324,988 72	
Balance December 31, 1947	203,877 79	\$528,866 51.
		<hr/>
Balance January 1, 1948	\$203,877 79	
Receipts January 1 to 12, 1948	2,516 81	\$206,394 60
Payments January 1 to 12, 1948	\$9,046 59	
Balance January 12, 1948:		
Merchants National Bank, Salem	\$3,308 96	
Beverly Trust Company, Beverly	51,246 63	
Day Trust Company, Boston	142,792 42	
	197,348 01	\$206,394 60
		<hr/>

MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK, SALEM

Balance January 12, 1948, per statement		\$4,143 94
Balance January 12, 1948, per check book	\$3,308 96	
Outstanding checks January 12, 1948, per list	834 98	
		\$4,143 94
		<hr/>

BEVERLY TRUST COMPANY, BEVERLY

Balance January 12, 1948, per statement	\$61,675 56	
Deposit in transit January 12, 1948, verified	792 66	
		\$62,468 22
Balance January 12, 1948, per check book	\$51,246 63	
Outstanding checks January 12, 1948, per list	11,221 59	
		\$62,468 22
		<hr/>

DAY TRUST COMPANY, BOSTON

Balance January 12, 1948, per statement		\$142,812 42
Balance January 12, 1948, per check book	\$142,792 42	
Outstanding checks January 12, 1948, per list	20 00	
		\$142,812 42
		<hr/>

RECONCILIATION OF COLLECTOR'S CASH

Cash balances January 12, 1948, per tables:		
Real estate taxes 1947	\$9 48	
Motor vehicle and trailer excise 1947	23 33	
Interest taxes 1947	11	
		\$32 92
Cash in office January 12, 1948, verified		\$32 92
		<hr/>

POLL TAXES—1946

Refunds 1947		\$2 00
Abatements 1947		\$2 00

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES—1946

Outstanding January 1, 1947		\$527 75
Payments to treasurer 1947	\$506 15	
Abatements 1947	21 60	
		\$527 75

REAL ESTATE TAXES—1946

Outstanding January 1, 1947	\$9,294 92	
Refunds 1947	351 00	
		\$9,645 92
Payments to treasurer 1947	\$9,192 32	
Abatements 1947	453 60	
		\$9,645 92

POLL TAXES—1947

Commitment per warrant	\$1,512 00	
Refunds	100 00	
		\$1,612 00
Payments to treasurer 1947	\$1,138 00	
Abatements 1947	474 00	
		\$1,612 00

PERSONAL PROPERTY TAXES—1947

Commitment per warrant	\$18,507 81	
Refunds	28 44	
		\$18,536 25
Payments to treasurer	\$17,710 95	
Abatements	139 04	
Outstanding December 31, 1947	686 26	
		\$18,536 25
Outstanding January 1, 1948		\$686 26
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 12, 1948	\$6 32	
Outstanding January 12, 1948, per list	679 94	
		\$686 26

REAL ESTATE TAXES—1947

Commitment per warrant	\$162,018 58	
Refunds	199 68	
		\$162,218 26

Payments to treasurer	\$150,672	51	
Abatements	2,096	66	
Added to tax titles	12	64	
Outstanding December 31, 1947	9,436	45	
			\$162,218 26
Outstanding January 1, 1948			\$9,436 45
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 12, 1948	\$187	66	
Outstanding January 12, 1948, per list	9,239	31	
Cash balance January 12, 1948	9	48	
			\$9,436 45

MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE—1946

Outstanding January 1, 1947	\$35	42	
Commitment per warrants	291	05	
			\$326 47
Payments to treasurer 1947	\$318	92	
Abatements 1947	7	55	
			\$326 47

MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAILER EXCISE—1947

Commitment per warrants	\$8,283	72	
Refunds	23	99	
Abatements reported in error	9	55	
			\$8,317 26
Payments to treasurer	\$7,530	79	
Abatements	321	31	
Outstanding December 31, 1947	465	16	
			\$8,317 26
Outstanding January 1, 1948			\$465 16
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 12, 1948	\$199	10	
Outstanding January 12, 1948, per list	242	73	
Cash balance January 12, 1948	23	33	
			\$465 16

MOTH ASSESSMENTS—1946

Outstanding January 1, 1947			\$156 30
Payments to treasurer 1947			\$156 30

MOTH ASSESSMENTS—1947

Commitment per warrant			\$970 85
Payments to treasurer	\$850	15	
Outstanding December 31, 1947			
and January 12, 1948, per list	120	70	
			\$970 85

INTEREST AND COSTS ON TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS

Collections 1947:

Interest:

Levy of 1946	\$189 90
Levy of 1947	47 11
Motor vehicle and trailer excise 1946	49
Motor vehicle and trailer excise 1947	1 19

\$238 69

Costs:

Levy of 1947	19 95
--------------	-------

\$258 64

Payments to treasurer 1947

\$258 64

Collections January 1 to 12, 1948:

Interest:

Levy of 1947

\$2 14

Payments to treasurer January 1 to 12, 1948

\$2 03

Cash balance January 12, 1948

11

\$2 14

TAX TITLES

Balance January 1, 1947

\$65 81

Added to tax titles:

Taxes 1947

12 64

\$78 45

Balance December 31, 1947

and January 12, 1948, per list

\$78 45

TAX POSSESSIONS

Balance January 1, 1947

\$136 53

Balance December 31, 1947 and

January 12, 1948, per list

\$136 53

SELECTMEN'S DEPARTMENT

Miscellaneous Receipts

Cash balance January 1, 1947

\$ 50

Licenses and permits issued 1947:

Auto:

Class 1	\$2 00
Class 2	6 00
Common victualler	8 00
Ice cream	5 00
Junk	20 00

Liquor	1,500 00		
Oleomargarine	1 50		
Peddler	2 00		
Refreshment	2 00		
Revolver	17 50		
Sunday	18 00		
Taxi	2 00		
		1,584 00	
Overpayment to treasurer to be refunded		7 00	
			\$1,591 50
Payments to treasurer 1947			\$1,591 50
<hr/>			
Licenses and permits issued			
January 1 to 12, 1948:			
Auto—Class 1	\$2 00		
Common victualler	6 00		
Liquor	1,300 00		
Revolver	2 00		
Taxi	2 00		
		\$1,312 00	
Overpayment to treasurer January 12, 1948		5 00	
			\$1,317 00
Overpayment to treasurer 1947		\$7 00	
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 12, 1948		1,310 00	
			\$1,317 00
<hr/>			
Licenses and permits issued			
January 13 to 21, 1948:			
Revolver		\$2 50	
Overpayment to treasurer January 21, 1948		2 50	
			\$5 00
Overpayment to treasurer January 12, 1948			\$5 00
<hr/>			

TOWN CLERK

Dog Licenses

Licenses issued 1947:			
Male	158 @	\$2 00	\$316 00
Female	34 @	5 00	170 00
Spayed female	45 @	2 00	90 00
Kennel	1 @	50 00	50 00
Kennel	3 @	25 00	75 00
Kennel	3 @	10 00	30 00
			\$731 00
Payments to treasurer 1947		\$682 20	
Fees retained 1947	244 @	\$ 20	48 80
			\$731 00
<hr/>			

Sporting Licenses

Licenses issued 1947:

Resident citizens':

Fishing	44	@	\$2 00	\$88 00
Hunting	68	@	2 00	136 00
Sporting	26	@	3 25	84 50
Minor and female fishing	13	@	1 25	16 25
Minor trapping	1	@	2 25	2 25
Trapping	1	@	5 25	5 25

\$332 25

Payments to Division of Fisheries and Game 1947 \$294 00

Fees retained 1947 153 @ \$ 25 38 25

\$332 25

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Receipts \$29 15

Payments to treasurer \$28 95

Cash balance December 31, 1947 20

\$29 15

Cash balance January 1, 1948 \$ 20

Cash on hand January 12, 1948, verified \$ 20

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Charges 1947 \$173 57

Payments to treasurer 1947 \$173 57

DENTAL CLINIC

Outstanding January 1, 1947 \$46 50

Charges 1947 346 10

\$392 60

Payments to treasurer 1947 \$357 85

Abatements 14 00

Cash balance December 31, 1947 20 75

\$392 60

Cash balance January 1, 1948 \$20 75

Charges January 1 to 12, 1948 12 00

\$32 75

Payments to treasurer January 1 to 12, 1948 \$20 75

Cash balance January 12, 1948 12 00

\$32 75

Cash balance January 13, 1948	\$12 00	
Charges January 13 to 22, 1948	16 75	
		\$28 75
Cash on hand January 22, 1948, verified		\$28 75

MILK INSPECTOR

Permits issued 1947:			
Dealer,	10 @	\$ 50	\$5 00
Store,	15 @	50	7 50
			\$12 50
Payments to treasurer 1947,			\$12 50

PUBLIC WELFARE DEPARTMENT

TEMPORARY AID — ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

Charges 1947,		\$958 00
Payments to treasurer 1947,	\$310 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1947 and January		
12, 1948, per list,	648 00	
		\$958 00

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

Accounts Receivable — State

Charges 1947,	\$626 42
Payments to treasurer 1947,	\$626 42

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Accounts Receivable — State

Charges 1947,	\$8,695 22
Payments to treasurer 1947,	\$8,695 22

Accounts Receivable — Cities and Towns

Charges 1947,	\$246 36
Payments to treasurer 1947,	\$71 61
Outstanding December 31, 1947,	174 75
	\$246 36
Outstanding January 1, 1948,	\$174 75
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 12, 1948,	\$174 75

STATE AID
Accounts Receivable

Outstanding January 1, 1947,		\$130 00
Payments to treasurer 1947,	\$120 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1947 and January 12, 1948, per list,	10 00	\$130 00
		<hr/>

VETERAN'S BENEFITS
Accounts Receivable

Charges 1947,		\$115 00
Payments to treasurer 1947,	\$30 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1947 and January 12, 1948, per list,	85 00	\$115 00
		<hr/>

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT
Accounts Receivable

Outstanding January 1, 1947,	\$74 00	
Charges 1947,	174 00	\$248 00
Payments to treasurer 1947,		\$248 00
		<hr/>

Miscellaneous Receipts

Collections 1947:		
Cafeterias:		
High School,	\$2,198 55	
Lamson school,	3,313 35	
	\$5,511 90	
Manual training,	59 64	\$5,571 54
		\$5,571 54
		<hr/>
Collections January 1 to 12, 1948:		
Cafeterias:		
High school,	\$56 80	
Lamson school,	83 00	
	\$139 80	
Manual training,	2 35	\$142 15
		\$142 15
		<hr/>
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 12, 1948,		

Collections January 13 to 22, 1948:

Cafeterias:

High school,	\$129 00
Lamson school,	161 00

\$290 00

Rental of gymnasium

20 00

\$310 00

Payments to treasurer January 13 to 22, 1948

\$148 00

Cash on hand January 22, 1948, verified

162 00

\$310 00

LIBRARY

Cash balance January 1, 1947

\$5 20

Receipts 1947

5 88

\$11 08

Payments to treasurer 1947

\$8 61

Cash balance December 31, 1947

2 47

\$11 08

Cash balance January 1, 1948

\$2 47

Payments to treasurer January 1 to 12, 1948

\$2 47

WATER DEPARTMENT

Rates

Outstanding January 1, 1947

\$824 12

Commitments

11,413 57

Refunds

1 40

\$12,239 09

Payments to treasurer

\$11,220 42

Abatements

55 00

Liens added to taxes 1947

23 80

Outstanding December 31, 1947

939 87

\$12,239 09

Outstanding January 1, 1948

\$939 87

Commitment January 1 to 12, 1948

3,034 26

\$3,974 13

Payments to treasurer January 1 to 12, 1948

\$67 70

Outstanding January 12, 1948, per list

3,906 43

\$3,974 13

Services

Outstanding January 1, 1947

\$68 24

Commitments

646 24

\$714 48

Payments to treasurer	\$484 47	
Abatements	1 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1947	229 01	\$714 48
		<hr/>
Outstanding January 1, 1948	\$229 01	
Commitment January 1 to 12, 1948	36 74	\$265 75
		\$265 75
Outstanding January 12, 1948, per list		<hr/>

WATER LIENS ADDED TO TAXES—1947

Commitment per warrant	\$23 80
Outstanding December 31, 1947	
and January 12, 1948, per list	\$23 80
	<hr/>

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

Accounts Receivable

Outstanding January 1, 1947	\$87 25	
Charges:		
Care of lots and graves	408 25	\$495 50
Payments to treasurer	\$353 75	
Abatements	6 00	
Outstanding December 31, 1947	135 75	\$495 50
		<hr/>
Outstanding January 1, 1948		\$135 75
Payments to treasurer January 1 to 12, 1948	\$9 00	
Outstanding January 12, 1948, per list	126 75	\$135 75
		<hr/>

Miscellaneous Receipts

Receipts 1947:		
Bequests	\$837 00	
Sale of lots and graves	425 00	
Interments	199 00	
Care of lots and graves	7 00	\$1,468 00
		\$1,468 00
Payments to treasurer 1947		<hr/>

DR. JUSTIN ALLEN LIBRARY FUND

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1947	\$524 16	\$524 16
On hand at end of year 1947	\$537 34	\$537 34
On hand January 12, 1948	\$537 34	\$537 34

	1947 RECEIPTS		1947 PAYMENTS	
Income	\$13 18		Added to savings deposits	\$13 18

January 1 to 12, 1948

No transactions recorded.

H. AUGUSTA DODGE LIBRARY FUND

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1947	\$1,050 92	\$1,050 92
On hand at end of year 1947	\$1,077 35	\$1,077 35
On hand January 12, 1948	\$1,077 35	\$1,077 35

	1947 RECEIPTS		1947 PAYMENTS	
Income	\$26 43		Added to savings deposits	\$26 43

January 1 to 12, 1948

No transactions recorded.

MAXWELL NORMAN FUND

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1947	\$449 71	\$449 71
On hand at end of year 1947	\$461 01	\$461 01
On hand January 12, 1948	\$461 01	\$461 01

	1947 RECEIPTS		1947 PAYMENTS	
Income	\$11 30		Added to savings deposits	\$11 30

January 1 to 12, 1948

No transactions recorded.

CEMETERY SALE OF LOTS FUND

	Cash in General Treasury	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1947	\$150 00	\$10,371 50	\$10,521 50
On hand at end of year 1947	\$575 00	\$10,323 70	\$10,898 70
On hand January 12, 1948	.....	\$10,898 70	\$10,898 70

RECEIPTS

PAYMENTS

1947

Withdrawn from savings deposits	\$300 00	Added to savings deposits	\$252 20
Income	252 20	Transferred to town	300 00
Sale of lots	425 00		
Cash in general treasury January 1, 1947	150 00	Cash in general treasury December 31, 1947	575 00
	<u>\$1,127 20</u>		<u>\$1,127 20</u>

January 1 to 12, 1948

Cash in general treasury January 1, 1948	\$575 00	Added to savings deposits	\$575 00
	<u> </u>		<u> </u>

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

	Savings Deposits	Total
On hand at beginning of year 1947	\$20,274 93	\$20,274 93
On hand at end of year 1947	\$21,245 72	\$21,245 72
On hand January 12, 1948	\$21,245 72	\$21,245 72

RECEIPTS

PAYMENTS

1947

Withdrawn from savings deposits	\$332 00	Added to savings deposits	\$1,302 79
Income	465 79	Transferred to town	332 00
Bequests	837 00		
	<u>\$1,634 79</u>		<u>\$1,634 79</u>

January 1 to 12, 1948

No transactions recorded.

TOWN OF HAMILTON
BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1947
GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Cash:		
In Banks		\$203,877 79
Accounts Receivable:		
Taxes:		
Levy of 1947:		
Personal Property	\$686 26	
Real Estate	9,436 45	
		10,122 71
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise:		
Levy of 1947		465 16
Moth Assessments:		
Levy of 1947		120 70
Tax Titles	\$78 45	
Tax Possessions	136 53	
		214 98
Departmental:		
Public Welfare	\$648 00	
Old Age Assistance—		
Cities and Towns	174 75	
Veterans' Benefits	85 00	
State Aid	10 00	
Cemetery	135 75	
		1,053 50
Water Department:		
Rates	\$939 87	
Services	229 01	
Water Liens Added to Taxes 1947	23 80	
		1,192 68
State and County Aid to Highways:		
State	\$4,848 86	
County	2,174 44	
		7,023 30
Overlay Deficits:		
Levy of 1946	\$477 20	
Levy of 1947	559 04	
		1,036 24
		<hr/>
		\$225,107 06
		<hr/>

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Federal Withholding Taxes		\$770 91
Tailings		130 77
Premium on Water Loan		1,283 33
Surplus War Bonus Fund		965 37
Sale of Lots and Graves Fund		575 00
Trust Funds Income:		
Library	\$8 59	
Cemetery	215 11	
		223 70
Federal Grants:		
Old Age Assistance:		
Assistance	\$2,360 57	
Administration	418 97	
Aid to Dependent Children:		
Aid	171 81	
Administration	178 69	
		3,130 04
Unexpended Appropriation Balances:		
Town Clerk—Equipment	\$439 74	
Highway—Chapter 90 Construction:		
Asbury Street	2,109 97	
Essex Street	6,475 75	
Sidewalk—Walnut Road	174 78	
Sidewalk—Asbury Street	369 85	
Sidewalk—Willow Street	478 68	
Building Drains—Savoy Road	1,890 10	
School:		
Waterproofing—High	500 00	
Tile in Gymnasium—High	125 00	
Memorial—Patton Park	600 00	
Walsh School—Repairs	316 60	
Cemetery—Special	7 55	
Water:		
New Reservoir and Wells	24,478 37	
Laying Pipe	116,918 74	
		154,885 13
Overestimates:		
State Parks and Reservations 1947		62 78
County Tax 1947		2,315 95
Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus		3,362 18
Revenue Reserved Until Collected:		
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise	\$465 16	
Special Assessment	120 70	

Tax Title	214 98	
Departmental	1,053 50	
Water	1,192 68	
State and County Aid to Highways	7,023 30	
		10,070 32
Surplus Revenue		47,331 58
		<hr/>
		\$225,107 06
		<hr/>

DEBT ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Net Funded or Fixed Debt	\$227,000 00
	<hr/>
	\$227,000 00
	<hr/>

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

High School Building Loan	\$20,000 00
Water Loan 1939	55,000 00
Water Loan 1947 (Mains)	119,000 00
Water Loan 1947 (Reservoir)	33,000 00
	<hr/>
	\$227,000 00
	<hr/>

TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Trust and Investment Funds:	
Cash and Securities	\$34,220 12
	<hr/>
	\$34,220 12
	<hr/>

LIABILITIES AND RESERVES

Dr. Justin Allen Library Fund	\$537 34
H. Augusta Dodge Library Fund	1,077 35
Maxwell Norman Fund	461 01
Sale of Cemetery Lots Fund	10,898 70
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	21,245 72
	<hr/>
	\$34,220 12
	<hr/>

REPORT

of the

HAMILTON

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

1947

REPORT OF THE HAMILTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the citizens of the town of Hamilton:

The school committee is pleased to submit the following report of its activities during 1947, and some of its plans for 1948.

In January, Mr. Ernest Stockwell submitted his resignation to the board of selectmen. At a joint meeting of the selectmen and the school board members, Mr. Gordon Love was appointed to fill the vacancy for the balance of Mr. Stockwell's unexpired term.

In the same month Mr. Elliott Hawke's resignation was received and accepted by the committee. Mr. Marshall Gero, recommended by Mr. Towne and with the approval of the school committee, took over the duties as shop instructor and teacher of related subjects.

After many years as head of the English department at the high school, Mrs. Laura Boyd submitted her resignation in October, to take effect January 1, 1948. The committee wishes to convey to her through this report, its deep appreciation of her many years of interest in and loyal service to the school department and the school children of Hamilton.

Miss Wilhelmina Ready's appointment as head of the English department to succeed Mrs. Boyd was unanimously approved by the school committee at the December meeting.

At the annual town meeting in March 1947, generous increases were granted to all school employees retroactive to January 1, plus a blanket increase of two hundred dollars to all teachers beginning September 1st of the same year. Due to this action, the committee feels it was justified in not approving further salary increases in 1948.

In May of 1947 the committee advertised for bids for repairing and shingling the roof of the Jonathan Lamson School and received replies from six contractors. The contract was awarded to the Trask Roofing Company of Salem, the lowest bidder. This was a necessary major repair item and the committee is pleased to report that a very satisfactory job was done.

At the same time the committee also advertised for bids for painting the basement in the Jonathan Lamson School. Replies were received from three contractors and the contract was awarded to George Zolotos Company of Peabody, it being the lowest bidder. The committee considered this a much needed repair item and feel that it has added much to the appearance and the cleanliness of this part of the building.

At its June meeting the committee discussed the grave possibility of fire at the Jonathan Lamson School and decided to call in an expert to investigate the building for the purpose of submitting a report of his findings, together with suggestions on eliminating evident hazards existing in the building. A representative of O'Brien, Russell Company inspected the building and on the strength of his findings and recommendations the committee will have an article in the town warrant of 1948 re-

questing an appropriation to cover the cost of the most needed equipment and alterations.

In September, the committee approved the addition of a part-time teacher to the teaching staff of the Jonathan Lamson School. Mrs. Marshall Gero was appointed to this position upon the recommendation of the superintendent. This was necessitated because of a large increase in the enrollment of the kindergarten class. Due to this heavy enrollment it is the opinion of the committee that two first grade teachers will be necessary at the beginning of the school year in September 1948, and have requested that provision be made for such in the new budget.

In October the contract for transportation of the school children was awarded to Welch and Lamson, Inc., it being the lowest bidder. Due to the increased number of children being transported, the new contract was made for the use of three busses instead of the usual two and beach wagons. The new contract became effective January 1, 1948 and is functioning in a most satisfactory manner.

The 1948 budget has been carefully considered and submitted to the finance and advisory board for its approval. Because of increased costs in materials, upkeep and salaries the operation cost of our schools will be greater than the 1947 figure. The major percentage of the increase this year is due to salary raises granted in 1947, higher transportation costs and the need for an extra elementary teacher.

The acceptance of this report, and your approval of the budget for 1948 is earnestly requested by the school committee. It is hoped that the present policy of progress in school affairs will again be supported by the townspeople.

Education is the most important business in the world today. In our schools are shaped and moulded the citizens of tomorrow. How successfully they overcome the manifold problems which will face them in a changing and complex world depends, to a great degree, on the instruction and training we provide for them in the classrooms today.

The school committee extends its sincere appreciation to the various town departments, the superintendent, teachers, and citizens for the splendid cooperation received throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed)

ALLAN MacCURRACH, Chairman
HARRIETT ADAMS
GRACE B. LAMSON
G. GORDON LOVE
RICHARD PRESTON

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Hamilton School Committee:

I herewith submit my fourth annual report as superintendent of schools in Hamilton. Schools will be only as good as the public demands and is willing to support financially. In a final analysis, any program of education is a program of finance.

Education for all has been an approaching ideal for several years, and now it is here in an enlarged school enrollment of twenty-four million. Hamilton public schools must strive to make the lives of children richer and fuller with equal opportunity for each, according to his or her ability and achievement. With this philosophy in mind, and from the results of three years of testing, we found it necessary to revise the English course at the high school. In so doing, we tried to give the pupils a more practical and functional preparation for life, as well as to prepare them for further education.

This year we have stressed safety more than ever before. Several safety films have been shown in both schools, and fire drills have been more numerous, with an attempt to develop more careful and serious attitudes. A unit of study on good driving has been added to the science classes of grades seven and eight.

The free equipment from the state commodity lunch program has aided much in the prompt and efficient serving of fine meals in both cafeterias. It now includes two twenty quart mixers, two new gas ranges, two deep freezers, and two electric dish washers.

May I quote from the Massachusetts School Superintendent's Policy Commission's statement dated November 1, 1947. "At this time there is a shortage of three hundred teachers in Massachusetts schools. This coupled with the great influx of many students has become an intolerable situation, one which will have far reaching effects on quality of instruction and scholastic, social, and moral training of our citizens. Not only is there a teacher shortage, there is also a quality shortage. The results of a census of municipalities of our state show that many positions have been filled (temporarily, it is hoped) with unqualified persons. Inadequate pay is the basic reason for the lack of qualified teachers. The fact that a great number of teaching vacancies occur in the elementary schools where lower salary schedules prevail is proof of this. A far more dangerous sign is the dearth of outstanding young men and women entering our Teachers' Colleges. Quality teacher shortage means eventual shortage of leadership." I feel there is no quality shortage in Hamilton. All our teachers are well qualified and do an excellent piece of work. We did not lose a single teacher last year and we hope this will continue. Under the present conditions, it is false economy and also very poor educational policy to consider inadequate salary schedules.

We have seen marked improvement in writing in both schools since the adoption of the Rinehart Handwriting System, and it is with regret, that it is being dropped as an economy measure.

Many towns are reporting larger enrollments in their elementary schools. Hamilton is faced with this problem which has necessitated the use of one more bus and will, undoubtedly, result in the procuring of an additional first grade teacher and in the continuation of an assistant in the kindergarten.

Hamilton is a most desirable community in which to live. Its natural growth will undoubtedly present more problems of expansion in education in the near future. These problems are to be expected. The quality and quantity of the youth of Hamilton warrant careful long range educational planning.

It has been a real task to keep within our budget this year. The fact that prices of commodities and services have continued to rise necessitates very rigid economy for the ensuing year. These problems which you have in your own home are just as acute in education.

In closing my report, again I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the members of the school committee, teachers, and citizens of Hamilton for their loyal support of education in the schools of Hamilton.

Respectfully submitted,

ELWIN F. TOWNE.

HAMILTON SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

	BUDGET 1947	Expenditures 1947	BUDGET 1948
<i>General Expenses</i>			
Superintendent—Salary	\$4,866 66	\$4,866 66	\$5,000 00
Salary of Clerk	1,950 00	1,950 00	1,950 00
Superintendent's Travel	75 00	8 50	50 00
Expense of Office	75 00	72 37	75 00
Census Enumerator	100 00	100 00	100 00
<i>Expense of Instruction</i>			
Substitutes—High	350 00	352 00	350 00
Substitutes—Elementary	100 00	168 00	250 00
Teachers Salaries			
Assist. Principal—High	2,666 66	2,666 66	2,800 00
Teachers—High	24,800 00	24,980 00	26,600 00
Teachers—Elementary	16,101 67	16,101 67	16,975 00
Music—Elementary	416 66	416 66	440 00
Home Economics	2,266 66	2,266 66	2,400 00
Shop	2,636 66	2,636 66	2,600 00
Expenses—Conventions	25 00	12 00	15 00
Kindergarten Assistant	.....	157 85	540 00
Writing System	350 00	350 00	.....
Extra First Grade Teacher	.....	.....	850 00
<i>Textbooks and Supplies</i>			
Textbooks—High	700 00	789 03	800 00
Textbooks—Elementary	500 00	542 00	600 00
Supplies—High	700 00	700 05	725 00
Supplies—Elementary	500 00	840 33	600 00
Shop Supplies	600 00	573 39	400 00
Home Economic Supplies	150 00	164 50	100 00
Films	100 00	101 89	100 00
Testing Program	150 00	130 45	150 00
Music Supplies	100 00	94 07	100 00
School Board Journal	15 00	10 00	6 00
<i>Operation of Plant</i>			
Janitor—High	2,000 00	2,000 00	2,000 00
Janitor—Elementary	1,950 00	1,970 00	1,950 00
Janitor—Retired	650 00	479 12	.....
Janitor—Retired	250 00	250 00	250 00
Fuel—High	1,284 00	942 36	1,500 00
Fuel—Elementary	1,125 00	1,047 62	1,400 00
Electricity—High	800 00	767 90	800 00
Electricity—Elementary	200 00	246 88	300 00
Janitor's Supplies—High	250 00	165 52	300 00
Janitor's Supplies—Elementary	250 00	224 70	300 00
Gas—High	90 00	153 16	140 00
Water—High and Elementary	100 00	76 30	100 00

	BUDGET 1947	Expenditures 1947	BUDGET 1948
<i>Maintenance of Plant</i>			
Repairs and Upkeep—High	800 00	723 14	800 00
Repairs and Upkeep—Elementary	500 00	474 38	600 00
<i>Auxiliary Agencies</i>			
Physician—High	150 00	150 00	150 00
Physician—Elementary	250 00	250 00	250 00
Nurse—High	400 00	400 00	400 00
Nurse—Elementary	600 00	600 00	600 00
Medical Supplies—High	50 00	50 58	50 00
Medical Supplies—Elementary	10 00	9 21	10 00
Transportation—High	2,745 00	2,730 75	4,320 00
Transportation—Athletic	350 00	247 60	350 00
<i>Miscellaneous</i>			
Graduation—High	75 00	56 87	75 00
Telephone—High	125 00	165 87	135 00
Telephone—Elementary	40 00	41 98	40 00
Removal of Ashes	40 00	40 00	40 00
Library	100 00	97 00	.....
Insurance	135 00	129 28	135 00
<i>Outlay</i>			
New Equipment—High	350 00	344 83	350 00
New Equipment—Athletics	400 00	435 78	400 00
Upkeep of Athletic Equipment	.....	.....	300 00
	<hr/> \$79,108 97	<hr/> \$79,052 98	<hr/> \$86,941 00

SPECIALS

Vocational	500 00	294 35	500 00
Cafeteria—High	3,500 00	3,499 05	3,500 00
Cafeteria—Lamson	3,500 00	3,499 89	3,500 00
Shades—High	25 00	25 00	.....
Gym Floor Repairs	101 04	88 97	150 00
Commercial Equipment	500 00	470 75	300 00
Leakage Repairs	100 00	98 00	100 00
Vacuum System Repairs	40 00	32 00	217 00
Lamson School Roof	2,875 00	2,875 00	.....
Tile in Gym	125 00	.....	.....
<i>Installation New Equipment</i>			
High	45 00	45 00	.....
Elementary	72 00	70 00	300 00
Repair Painting Lamson School	.....	.....	500 00
Painting Lamson School—Basement	1,000 00	995 00	.....
Waterproofing	500 00	.....	.....
100 Chairs for Gym	.....	.....	245 00
30 Desks and Chairs for Room 12	.....	.....	500 00
Winthrop Park Upkeep	.....	.....	.....

RECEIPTS (turned over to town treasurer)

January-December, 1947

Cafeteria	\$5,511 90
Tuition	174 00
Sale of shop supplies, etc.	59 64
General Fund Part I (account of teachers salaries)	3,970 00
Chapter 71, School Transportation	3,470 00
Vocational Tuition	21 08
	<hr/>
	\$13,206 62

BACKGROUND DATA FOR COMPARING TOWNS IN RESPECT TO PAYMENT OF ADEQUATE SALARIES TO TEACHERS

1947-48 Series

Group III — Towns under 5,000 Population with High Schools

	1945 Pop.	1946-50 Equal. Valua.	% Net Debt of Val.	1947 Tax Rate	1947 Taxes Per Cap.	1946 School Tax	% School Tax of Total Tax	1946 Sch. Tax Per Cap.	1946-47 Sch. Sup. Per Class Per Pupil	1946-47 Sch. Sup. Per Class Per Pupil
Rockport	3,992	11,402	.69%	36.00	61-	10.87	34%	16-	\$2656	119
Cohasset	3,540	21,112	.00%	35.00	58	11.67	38-%	31-	4161	234
Hopedale	3,317	16,924	.18%	32.00	32-	22.51	70%	21	3696	186-
Nantucket	2,870	26,282	.07%	32.00	139-	8.33	30-%	35	4933	188-
Manchester	2,539	29,335	.00%	33.60	38-	9.65	36-%	32	3454	220-
Yarmouth	2,461	17,388	.00%	31.00	100	7.36	25-%	22-	3543	181-
Hamilton	2,387	16,061	.46%	31.00	34-	10.46	39-%	23	2882	178
Merrimac	2,384	5,954	.00%	60.00	30	16.21	35-%	12	2515	113
Stockbridge	1,739	21,561	1.03%	31.00	75	10.95	35%	25	2811	189-
Tisbury	1,719	31,445	.15%	26.00	83-	7.85	38-%	25-	3269	125-
Littleton	1,673	11,883	.25%	27.00	51-	9.98	41-%	18-	2637	155-
Shelburne	1,656	12,065	.33%	40.00	66	14.59	46-%	24-	3400	155-
Sandwich	1,524	14,902	.00%	38.50	88-	12.32	40-%	23-	4133	194-
West Newbury	1,503	8,554	.33%	46.00	41-	13.87	33%	12-	2492	166-
Topsfield	1,453	15,633	.18%	35.00	83	15.68	58%	36	3310	233-
Harvard	1,065	15,085	.00%	29.50	59	12.99	44%	26-	3030	194
Ashfield	933	10,034	1.26%	26.00	35-	15.53	62%	20	2636	161-
Wellfleet	851	17,722	1.34%	28.00	90-	22.14	79%	22-		
Petersham	743	13,178	.00%	42.00	81-	17.46	65-%	33-	2941	239

HAMILTON SCHOOL CAFETERIAS

In 1943 the Federal Government started a school lunch program designed to give each pupil a noon lunch having one-third the daily food requirement needed for each pupil. The schools adopting this plan were required to follow one of the following lunch patterns:

Type "A" lunch (per serving)

Protein, 2 oz.

Meat, fresh or processed

Poultry

Fish, cooked or canned

Cheese

Eggs, (1 egg)

Dried peas, beans, or soybeans (or products thereof) $\frac{1}{2}$ cup cooked

Peanut butter ($\frac{1}{4}$ cup)

Vegetable and/or fruit ($\frac{3}{4}$ cup)— $\frac{1}{2}$ may be juice

Bread, roll, etc.. (1 portion)

Butter or fortified oleomargarine (2 tsp.)

Milk as a beverage ($\frac{1}{2}$ pint)

Dessert optional

Type "B" lunch (per serving)

Protein, 1 oz.

Meat, fresh or processed

Poultry

Fish, cooked or canned

Cheese

Eggs ($\frac{1}{2}$ egg)

Dried peas, beans, or soybeans (or product thereof) $\frac{1}{4}$ cup cooked

Peanut butter (2 T)

Vegetable and/or fruit— $\frac{1}{2}$ cup ($\frac{1}{2}$ may be juice)

Bread, rolls, etc.—1 portion

Butter or fortified oleomargarine—1 tsp.

Milk as a beverage— $\frac{1}{2}$ pint

Dessert optional

The Hamilton schools adopted the Federal Lunch Program in 1944 and follow the Type "A" pattern of lunches.

When the program was first started the government reimbursed the schools following the type "A" lunch pattern seven cents on each pupil lunch sold and two cents for each bottle of milk sold to a pupil. This year the government has reduced the reimbursement to five cents for each pupil lunch sold and two cents for each bottle of milk sold to a pupil.

When the Federal Lunch Program was first started the Hamilton school lunches were sold for twelve cents and milk two cents, but today, due to the increased cost of foods, the lunches sell for twenty cents and the milk for four cents. With the government reimbursement, this gives the lunch program twenty-five cents per pupil's lunch and six cents for each bottle of milk sold. Besides the money reimbursement, the government also provides the cafeterias with surplus commodities from time to time, such as, canned tomatoes, beets, jams, tomato juice, orange juice, crushed

pineapple, and 100 lb. bags of potatoes, thus decreasing the cost of operating the lunchroom.

The town of Hamilton each year appropriates money for the school cafeterias; for this coming year \$3,500 has been appropriated for each school. This money is used to help purchase commodities and to pay for the labor of two workers in each school cafeteria. During the school year, all the money collected in the school cafeterias for lunches sold is turned over to the Hamilton Town Treasurer. This money pays for the food purchased for both cafeterias and for the partial payment of salaries paid to those employed in this department. Thus the town is re-imbursed for its appropriation to the cafeterias in this way.

The Hamilton school cafeteria are operated on an absolutely non-profit basis, and, with the exception of part of the wages to the employees, are self supporting.

COLLEGE ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Innumerable questions on the part of parents and pupils regarding college admission requirements have indicated the need of clarification with special reference to foreign languages. The Harvard Report and other reports that were presented to the public during the war years have influenced many to believe that foreign languages are no longer essential as a requirement for admission to college. The 1948 edition of the Annual Handbook, Terms of Admission to the Colleges of the College Entrance Examination Board presents a list of colleges and their requirements showing the contrary to be true. The following chart has been devised to show the interested parents what the colleges are requiring. Mathematics has also been included to indicate its importance in the college preparatory picture.

College	Languages	Math
Amherst	3 of one preferred	3
Bates	3 of one or 2 of each of 2	2
*Boston University		
Bowdoin	3 of one or 2 of each of 2	3
Brown	2	3
Colby	2-4	2
Connecticut	3	3
*Dartmouth		
Harvard	3	3
M. I. T.	2 (desirable)	4
Middlebury	4 or 5 (women only)	2
Holyoke	5	2-3
Pembroke	2 of one	2-3
Princeton	2	3
*Simmons		
Smith	5	3
Tufts	3 or 2 of each of 2	3
Vassar	3 or 2 of each of 2	2
Wellesley	5	3

Wesleyan	3 or 2 of each of 2	2½
Williams	3-4	3
Yale	3 or 2 of each of 2	3

*Boston University follows no rigid pattern but assumes that foreign languages have been included in preparatory study.

*Simmons sets no specific requirement as to courses but recommends a background of study that includes foreign languages.

*Dartmouth follows no prescribed requirements but asks that a candidate have a rich and broad background with a sound preparation in the fields of the liberal arts which includes foreign languages.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK J. MALONE

Head of Language Department and
member of Scholarship Committee.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

To the Superintendent of Schools,

DEAR SIR:

I herewith submit my first report of the Jonathan Lamson School.

School opened in September with no changes in our teaching staff. Our enrollment was two hundred thirty-seven, twenty-four over the enrollment of the previous year. Up to date six pupils have left and five have entered making our total enrollment two hundred thirty-six at this time.

The large membership in the kindergarten necessitated engaging the services of a helper for Miss Erskine. Mrs. Marshall Gero was secured for this position.

Because of the large kindergarten class this year we must look forward next year to the largest first grade ever enrolled in this school. This class will undoubtedly have to be divided and plans will have to be made for the hiring of another teacher and the furnishing of another first grade room.

The Gates Reading Tests have been given for the past three years in all of the grades. Each year's records have shown an increase in the medians in nearly all of the classes; thus proving that much hard work and effort have been rewarded by better reading ability.

The Rinehart System of Writing which was installed in our school in September 1946 has certainly improved our writing. Last year all classes from grade one through six attained the Gold Seal goal. Gold Seals represent superior writing. This year some of the rooms have already reached this goal and we feel confident that the other classes that

have reached the gold star or "excellent goal" will soon attain the gold seal.

On May fifth our annual operetta "The Blue Belt" was successfully staged. Much credit was due to Miss Thomas, the teachers, and the more than one hundred children who took part in this production. I wish, at this time, to thank all of the parents who helped so much by making many of the costumes. It is at times like this that we sorely miss the aid that an art supervisor would give us. Our net profit from the affair was one hundred fifteen dollars and fifty cents. This sum has been added to our bank account making our total savings, five hundred two dollars plus a little interest. Now that our account is large enough and movie sound projectors are available we should soon be able to purchase one and so enjoy sound films.

Grades four, five, and six have been fortunate this year in being able to see some good educational films; namely, Lake Carriers and The Story of Steel. Mr. Murray, a representative of the Coco Cola Company has very kindly brought them to us. He plans to show one film a month.

During Education Week in November we held our annual Parent's Day. Many parents visited during the morning session and observed the regular daily work in the classrooms. A special program was held, in the afternoon in the assembly room before a large audience. Each class contributed to this program.

We are fortunate to be able to continue our hot lunch program. The menus are planned by Miss Boswell according to federal regulations and are well balanced meals, tastily cooked by Mrs. Gould and Mrs. Nielson. Our lunchroom with its new coat of blue paint is now a very attractive eating place.

We have again joined the Junior Red Cross one hundred per cent. In the early fall we filled twenty-four boxes which were sent to the school children of Europe. We have also contributed to the Tuberculosis Fund.

Every Friday afternoon the Glee Club made up of some boys and girls from grades four, five, and six look forward to meeting with Miss Thomas. They enjoy singing from their new song books.

A Safety Club has been organized in the fifth grade. These children have taken over some of the responsibilities of our safety program. Certain children have been appointed to guard the bus children as they enter and leave the buses. A Science Club has also been organized in the sixth grade.

In conclusion, I would like to express to you, the school committee, parents and teachers my appreciation of their loyalty and support.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIAN C. JOSEPH,
Principal, Jonathan Lamson School.

December 19, 1947.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL NURSE

*To the Superintendent of Schools,
Hamilton, Massachusetts*

DEAR SIR:

I herewith submit my eighteenth annual report as School Nurse of the Town of Hamilton.

Total Enrollment (including kindergarten) 425

Result of Physical Examination by Dr. Daniel M. Rogers, M. D.,
School Physician:

<i>Defects:</i>		<i>Corrections:</i>	
Mod. enlarged tonsils	16	Tonsillectomy	3
Enlarged tonsils	5	Adenoidectomy	3
Posture	46	Appendectomy	1
Feet	6	Follow up of functional heart	
Functional heart murmurs ...	26	murmurs	26
Cardiac trouble	2	Cardiac under treatment	2
Ears	2	Ears under treatment	2
Eyes	15	Eyes under treatment	10
		Glasses	2
Mod. enlarged glands	33	Fractures	4
Nose	4	Concussion	1
Skin	4	Hernia under treatment	1

Miscellaneous Defects:

Fractured vertebra	1	Head concussion	1
Fractured finger	1	Hernia	1
Fractured leg	1	Appendectomy	1
Fractured clavicle	1		

A report of all serious defects are reported to parents with the recommendation that they consult their family physician.

Diphtheria Protection

Most parents have taken advantage of the Clinics held in the School and Child Welfare Conference to have their children receive the treatments for the protection of Diphtheria. Many have the above protection given their children by the family physician at the age of six months, which is the approved method.

A Clinic will be held shortly for those attending school not yet immunized:

23

Immunized to date 375

Contagious and Communicable Diseases

This past year we have had far too many cases of communicable diseases among our school population.

1. Letters were sent to all parents requesting that they keep their children at home with symptoms of the common cold.

2. All contagious and communicable diseases apparently start with what appears to be just a cold. One child attending a classroom of thirty-five or forty children with a seemingly slight cold can be the cause of an epidemic of measles, scarlet fever, chicken pox, mumps, etc.

Number of communicable and contagious diseases reported to date of children attending schools:

Mumps	34	Whooping cough	45
Measles	1	Chicken pox	1
Ivy	4	Impetigo	1
Scabies	2	Ring worm	1

The above figures are the number reported to the schools.

Dental Program

All children from grades one to six attending the Jonathan Lamson School have the privilege of attending the Dental Clinic in charge of Dr. John King.

Total number dental operations	540
Total number of amalgam fillings	278
“ “ “ temporary fillings	61
“ “ “ extractions	32
“ “ “ Novocaine treatments	37
“ “ “ cleanings	117
“ “ “ X-Rays	31
“ “ “ examinations	98
“ “ “ hours given	330
“ “ “ dental certificates given	159

All dental work at the high school is taken care of privately.

Vision

A general survey is being carried out this year on Eyes. The State Department has loaned us the most modern testing machine to date. It is hoped we will be able to check all the high school grades as well as the elementary grades.

The complete test results will not be ready for this year's report, however, only the six grades being completed so far.

The general routine health work does not change much from year to year. Usual classroom inspections for cleanliness, weighing, measuring, physician examinations, clinics, first aid, clerical work, home calls, consultations regarding children's health and progress while in school with teachers, parents, school physician, state supervisors and school superintendent are completed.

The program of Hot School Lunches is still functioning effectively for the health of the school population, and continues to be administered with as much care and thought as in previous years.

Closing I wish to thank all who have contributed to the health and welfare of our schools.

Respectfully submitted,
FLORENCE L. STOBART, R. N.,
School Nurse.

LIST OF TEACHERS AND THEIR PROFESSIONAL IMPROVEMENT DURING 1947

<i>Teacher</i>	<i>Course Pursued</i>
Edith M. Anderson	Institute for Education on Democracy
Ruth E. Austen	Secondary Education Seminar
Warren D. Bennett	Problems of the Elementary Principal
Millicent J. Boswell	Experimental Cooking Current Problems in the Teaching of Home Economics
Carl J. Martini	Foundations in Math Theory of Education Current Problems in Education
John O'Neil	Educational statistics Foundations of Math Physics
Wilhelmina C. Ready	Seminar-English for Secondary Schools Shakespearean Drama Victorian Literature
Libby L. Volk	Improvement of Instruction in Shorthand with a Demonstration Class Improvement of Instruction in Typing
Marguerite T. Williams	Child Growth and Development Supervision of Health and Physical Education Methods in Folk and American Dancing
Margaret K. Batchelder	Speaking and Writing English Reading and Study in the Elementary Grades
Ellen M. Duffy	Speaking and Writing English Reading and Study in the Elementary Grades
Mrs. Lydia Harmer	Reading and Study in the Elementary Grades
Marian C. Joseph	Speaking and Writing English

HAMILTON 'TEACHERS' DIRECTORY, JANUARY 1, 1948

<i>Name</i>	<i>School</i>	<i>Subject or Grade</i>	<i>Appointment</i> 1944	<i>Yrs. Experience</i> 21	<i>Education</i> Bates College	<i>Degrees</i> A. B. M. A.
Elwin F. Towne	High	Supt. and Principal	1944	21	Bates College	A. B.
Mrs. Hazel Ramer	High	Assist. Principal	1921	37	Salem Normal	M. A.
Frank J. Malone	High	Foreign Language	1931	17	Boston College	B. A.
Wilbur Armstrong	High	Science	1944	26	Boston University Atlantic Union Boston University	M. A. B. R. E. B. A.
Marguerite Williams	High	Commercial-Physical Education for Girls	1946	2	Salem Teachers Col.	M. A. B. S. E.
Libby L. Volk	High	Commercial	1946	1	Salem Teachers Col.	B. S. E.
Wilhelmina E. Ready	High	English	1948	16	Salem Teachers Col. Boston University	B. S. E. M. E.
Carl J. Martini	High	Math. and Physical Education for Boys	1943	4	Holy Cross	B. S.
Edith M. Anderson	High	History	1929	33	Salem Normal	
Warren D. Bennett	High	Social Studies	1942	8	Boston University	B. S. E.
Ruth E. Austen	High	English and Music	1945	3	Radcliffe New Eng. Conserv. of Music	M. E. A. B.
John O'Neil	High	Mixed	1946	1	Fitchburg Tea. Col.	M. B.
Millicent Boswell	High	Home Economics and Cafeteria Manager	1943	5	Framingham Tea. Col., B.S.E.	B. S. E.

Marshall Gero	High	Manual Training	1947	11	Fitchburg Tea, Col.	B. S. E.
Ellen M. Duffy	J. Lamson	Grade 6	1927	22	Gorham Normal	
Margaret K. Batchelder	"	Grade 5	1920	28	Salem Normal	
Marian C. Joseph, Principal	"	Grade 4	1921	27	Salem Normal	
Mrs. Lydia Harner	"	Grade 3-	1944	13	Bridgewater Normal	
Doris Woodbury	"	Grade 2	1945	6	Bridgewater Tea, Col.	B. S. E.
Mrs. Irene Thibedeau	"	Grade 1	1946	7	Salem Teachers Col.	
Harriet Erskine	"	Kindergarten	1946	3	Leslie Kindergarten	
Maude L. Thomas	"	Music	1923	25	Boston University	
Florence L. Stobbart	All	Nurse	1925	22	Beverly Hospital	R. N.

HAMILTON HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM OF STUDIES

Grade	Course	Period				
		1	2	3	4	5 6
7		Arithmetic	English	Home Ec.—Girls Shop—Boys	Physical Ed. History	Science
8		History	Arithmetic	Science	Physical Ed.	Home Ec.—Girls Shop—Boys English
9	College A.B. General	Civics Civics	Science Science	Latin I	English English	Physical Ed. Physical Ed.
	Commercial	Civics	Science	English	Jr. Bus. Tr'g.	Physical Ed.
	College B.S.	Civics	Science	English	Algebra I	Physical Ed.
	Nursing	Civics	Science	English		Physical Ed.
	Medical Secre.	Civics	Science	English	Jr. Bus. Tr'g.	Physical Ed.
10	College A.B. General	Latin II	Mod. Eur. Hist. English	English Sales and Psy.	Home Ec.—Girls Shop—Boys	Physical Ed. Physical Ed.
	Commercial	Bus. Law and Com. Arith.	English	Sales and Psy.	Typing I	Physical Ed.
	College B.S.	Biology	Algebra II	English		Physical Ed.
	Nursing	Biology	English	Sales and Psy.	Home Ec.	Physical Ed.
	Medical Secre.	Biology	English	Sales and Psy.	Home Ec.	Physical Ed.
						French I
						World History
						French I

11	College A.B. General	Col. English English	French II Home Ec.—Girls Shop—Boys	Gen. Math. Gen. Math.	Latin III	U. S. History U. S. History	Physical Ed. Physical Ed.
	Commercial	English	U. S. History	Pub. Speaking	Girls Physical Education	Typing II	Shorthand I
	College B.S. Nursing	English English	Home Economics Home Economics	Geometry Pub. Speaking	Chemistry Chemistry	U. S. History U. S. History	Physical Ed. Physical Ed.
	Medical Secre.	English	Home Economics	Pub. Speaking	Chemistry	U. S. History	Physical Ed.
12	College A.B.		Prob. of Dem.	Typing and World Geog.	Home Ec.—Girls Shop—Boys	English	Physical Ed.
	General	Home Ec.—Girls Shop—Boys	Prob. of Dem.	Typing and World Geog.	Home Ec. for Girls	English	Physical Ed.
	Commercial College B.S.	Shorthand II Solid Geom. and Trig.	Typing III French III	Bookkeep. I Typing and World Geog.	Physical Ed.	English English	Physical Ed. Physics
	Nursing	Home Ec.	Prob. of Dem.	Typing and World Geog.		English	Physical Ed.
	Medical Secre.	Home Economics	Prob. of Dem.	Typing and World Geog.		English	Physical Ed.

AGE OF ADMITTANCE

Pupils entering the kindergarten in September must have been at least four years of age on March 1st preceding entrance in September.

Pupils entering the first grade in September must have been at least five years of age on March 1st preceding entrance in September.

VACCINATION

Children who have not been vaccinated will not be admitted to school in September unless they present a certificate from a regular practicing physician stating that they are not fit subjects for vaccination. Parents are requested to attend to this matter during the summer vacation, as certificates of vaccination or exemption must be presented at the opening of school to entitle children to admission.

NO-SCHOOL SIGNAL

Radio broadcast over WNAC of Yankee Network and Salem WESX between 7:30 and 8:00 a. m., if there is no school for the day.

22-22 at 7:30 a. m. over the local fire alarm means that there will be no school for the day.

Obviously we cannot blow the no-school signal for every storm. Parents may reserve the right to keep their children home in stormy weather if in their own judgment they feel that the weather is too severe for their children.

SCHOOL CENSUS AS OF OCTOBER 1, 1947

	Boys	Girls
Number between four and five years of age	11	18
Number between five and seven years of age	42	34
Number between seven and sixteen years of age	171	166
Totals	224	218
Total Census		442

Distribution of the above minors, October 1, 1947:

In the Public Day School	397
In Private Schools	25
Not enrolled in any school	20

GRADUATION EXERCISES OF THE HAMILTON HIGH SCHOOL

GRADUATION PROGRAM

"THE WORLD IS OURS"

Processional	High School Orchestra
Invocation	Rev. Angus Dun, Jr.
Citizenship	Lois Peterson
Happiness	Walter Tillson
Education	Mary Harrigan
Clarinet Solo	Raymond Moulton
Friendship	Donald Foster
Science	Richard Foster
Vision	Ena Gardiner
Song of Spring	Glee Club
Presentation of Diplomas	Allan MacCurrach, <i>Chairman of School Board</i>
Benediction	Rev. Angus Dun, Jr.
Recessional	High School Orchestra

GRADUATING CLASS

1947

George Nichols Andrews	
Creighton Charles Blenkhorn	
LeRoy H. Carter	
Peter P. Chisholm	
Richard J. Cox	
Gordon G. Crosby	
Ruth F. Dodge	
Donald H. Foster	
Richard Lawrence Foster	
Ena Finona Gardiner	
Gerald L. Killam	Jean Catherine Gourdeau
Donna Jean Love	Joan Elizabeth Gourdeau
Ann Marie McLean	Donald Gibney Haraden
Betty E. Morris	Mary Anne Harrigan
Raymond E. Moulton	
Philip Burton Perkins	
C. June Peters	
Lois Anne Peterson	
Elizabeth Ann Pope	
Georgiana B. Tate	
Barbara Marie Thompson	
Walter C. Tillson	
Richard Grant Tremblay	
H. Shirley Wentworth	

SCHOOL CALENDAR

(Subject to Change)

1948

January 5	Schools open
February 20	Schools close
March 1	Schools open
March 26	Good Friday
April 16	Schools close
April 26	Schools open
May 31	Holiday
June 18	Lamson School closes
June 24	High School Graduation
June 25	Senior Reception
June 25	High School closes

SUMMER VACATION

September 8	Schools open
October 12	Holiday
November 5	Teachers' Convention
November 11	Holiday
November 24	Schools close at noon
November 29	Schools open
December 17	Schools close

1949

January 3	Schools open
-----------	--------------

MEMBERSHIP BY AGE AND GRADE, OCTOBER 1, 1947

Grade	AGE																				Total
	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20				
Kindergarten	10	36	1																	47	
1		14	20	2																36	
2			5	17	5															27	
3				9	19	3	1													32	
4					10	16	2	3												31	
5					3	18	14				1									36	
6							9	21	9											39	
7								6	14	7	1			1						29	
8									9	18	5	3	1							36	
9										5	18	4			1					28	
10											9	15	5	2						31	
11												8	16	2						26	
12													8	15	4					27	
Totals	10	50	26	28	37	37	26	30	32	31	33	30	31	20	4					425	

INDEX

	PAGE
List of Officers	3
Report of Town Clerk	7
Report of Town Treasurer	33
Jury List for 1947	33
Report of Town Collector	34
Report of the Assessors	35
Report of the Fire Department	38
Report of Department of Weights and Measures	40
Report of the Planning Board	41
Report of Park Commission	42
Report of the Cemetery Commissioners	43
Report of Gen. George S. Patton, Jr. Memorial Committee	44
Library Report	45
Report of the Board of Health	46
Report of Police Department	47
Report of the Surveyor of Highways	48
Report of the Board of Public Welfare	49
Report of the Water Board	51
Report of Superintendent of the Water Board	53
Memorial—George H. Haraden	55
Report of the Board of Selectmen	56
Town Warrant	58
Report of the Finance and Advisory Committee	62
Proposed Parking By-Law	70
Report of the Town Accountant	77
Receipts	78
Expenditures	81
General Government	81
Selectmen	81
Town Hall	83
Protection of Persons and Property	84
Health and Sanitation	87
Highways	88
Charities and Soldiers' Benefits, Public Welfare	91
Schools	93
Public Library	96
General Accounts	99
Cemetery	101
Interest, etc.	102
Debt and Trust Accounts	102
Recapitulation of Departmental Expenses	104
Public Library Trust Funds	107
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	108
Balance Sheet	112
Investment Funds	114
Report of an Audit of the Accounts	117
Report of the School Committee	1



Newcomb & Gauss Co., Printers, Salem, Mass.